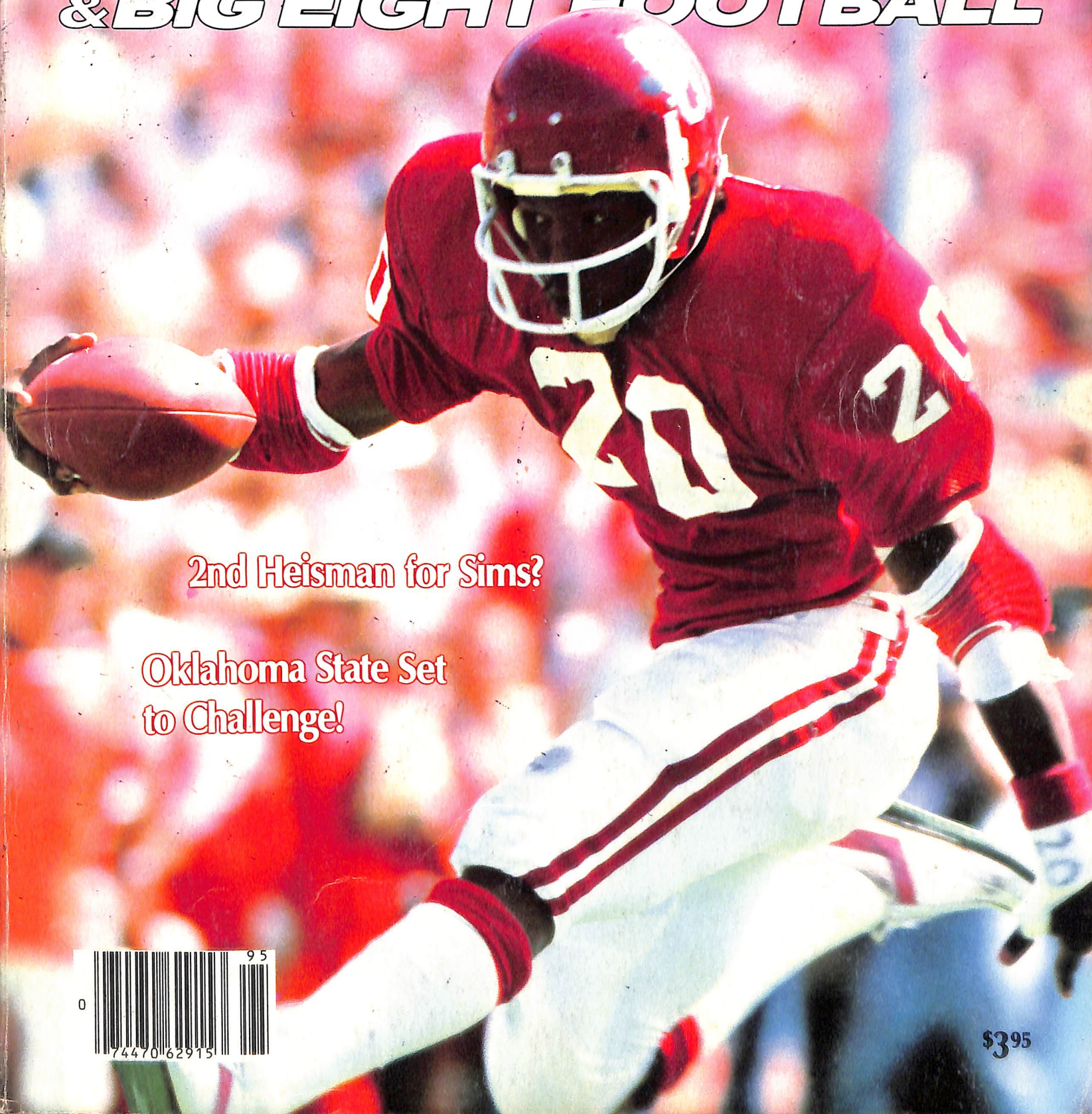


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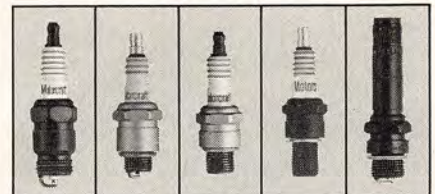
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OKLAHOMA

Actor Tony Curtis ran for the game-winning touchdown. It happened in a movie on television, but it made a lasting impression on a youngster in St. Louis, Mo.

Billy Sims recalled that experience of nearly 10 years ago and said, "I decided then I wanted to be a running back."

And a running back he became.

With his hair style varying from bushy Afro to corn-row, Sims doesn't look much like Tony Curtis. That's all right. Even with the help of Hollywood, Curtis can't match what the University of Oklahoma halfback does on a football field.

"I never had any goals," said Sims. "Not even in high school. I just ran the ball, and things just started happening. I hope that's the way it is. If not, I'll just go on. I don't worry about it. I don't worry about things like that."

Sims came from relative national obscurity to win the Heisman Trophy, college football's most prestigious individual award, as a junior in 1978.

The consensus All-American led the nation in rushing with 1,762 yards and in scoring with 20 touchdowns. Perhaps even more impressive is the fact that Sims averaged 7.6 yards a carry.

Sims returns this season to lead Oklahoma in its bid for another Big Eight Conference championship and a possible national championship.

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"If I have a good game, good. If I don't, I don't. If I get this, good. If I don't, I don't. I've been like that all through my life. I'm not hard to satisfy. A lot of people want to do this, do that, be this, be that. I don't think about things like that."

But Sims gave Oklahoma's opponents plenty to think about last season.

He rushed for more than 200 yards in four games and more than 100 yards in six other games during the regular season. Then he rushed for 134 yards and two touchdowns in the Sooners' 31-24 victory over Nebraska in the Orange Bowl. That victory avenged Oklahoma's only loss of the season.

But Sims' extraordinary success as a college player didn't come as early as some observers may have expected.

Sims moved from St. Louis to Hooks, Tex., an Eastern Texas town of 1,500 citizens, to live with his grandmother when he was in elementary school.

And in Hooks, Tex., you play football. And that's what Sims did.

He had a sensational high school career, rushing for 100 yards or more in 28 straight games and being the second leading ground-gainer in Texas high school football history.

"I didn't really grow up on my own, but I didn't have anyone to look up to like an older brother or anything," Sims said. "Especially when I left St. Louis and went to Hooks. It was like me and my grandmother living together. I took on a lot of responsibility. I've been doing that for a long time."

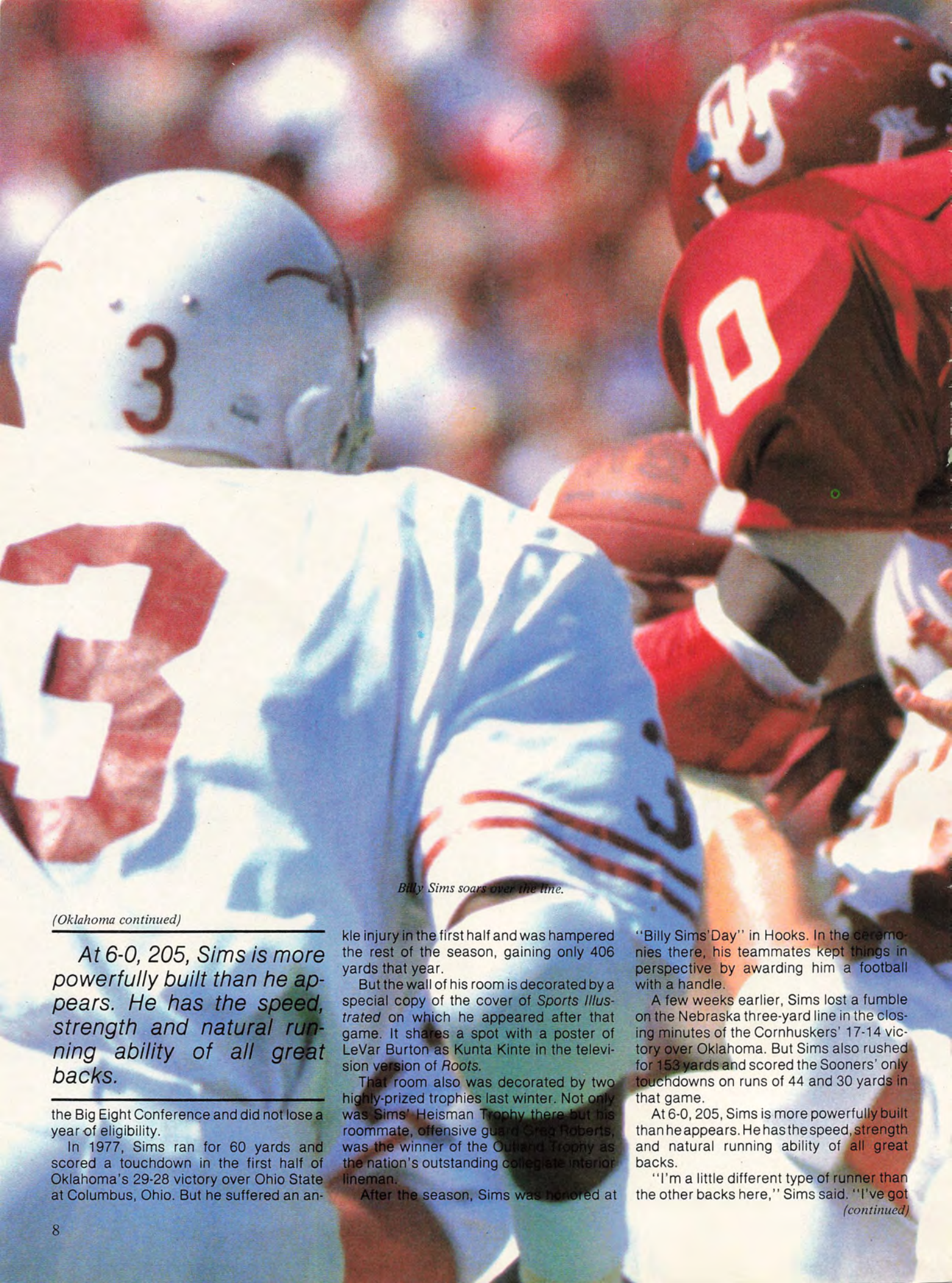
"If anybody had the biggest influence on my life, it was my grandmother. Just the way she would tell me things. We just talked about the facts of life, what to expect and not to expect. I can't recall exactly."

In 1975 as a freshman at Oklahoma, Sims rushed for only 95 yards while playing behind All-American Joe Washington. It was during that season that he learned a wishbone halfback at Oklahoma has to block as well as run with the ball if he expects to play.

The next season Sims played in only one game, rushing for 44 yards in three carries against Florida State before suffering a shoulder injury and missing the rest of the season. However, he was declared a hardship case by

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Billy Sims soars over the line.

(Oklahoma continued)

At 6-0, 205, Sims is more powerfully built than he appears. He has the speed, strength and natural running ability of all great backs.

the Big Eight Conference and did not lose a year of eligibility.

In 1977, Sims ran for 60 yards and scored a touchdown in the first half of Oklahoma's 29-28 victory over Ohio State at Columbus, Ohio. But he suffered an an-

kle injury in the first half and was hampered the rest of the season, gaining only 406 yards that year.

But the wall of his room is decorated by a special copy of the cover of *Sports Illustrated* on which he appeared after that game. It shares a spot with a poster of LeVar Burton as Kunta Kinte in the television version of *Roots*.

That room also was decorated by two highly-prized trophies last winter. Not only was Sims' Heisman Trophy there but his roommate, offensive guard Greg Roberts, was the winner of the Outland Trophy as the nation's outstanding collegiate interior lineman.

After the season, Sims was honored at

"Billy Sims' Day" in Hooks. In the ceremonies there, his teammates kept things in perspective by awarding him a football with a handle.

A few weeks earlier, Sims lost a fumble on the Nebraska three-yard line in the closing minutes of the Cornhuskers' 17-14 victory over Oklahoma. But Sims also rushed for 153 yards and scored the Sooners' only touchdowns on runs of 44 and 30 yards in that game.

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"I'm a little different type of runner than the other backs here," Sims said. "I've got

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"We're number one!" says Sooner
linebacker George Cumby.
(Oklahoma continued)

a lot of speed. I'm not a real fast runner at
first. I gradually build up.

"I kinda float along," he said with a
smile.

"I try to be comfortable. That way I can
throw my moves better. I'm not one of
those type of runners that like to run over
people. I try to avoid as much contact as I
can. I have my eyes open. I'm sorta like
feeling my way through. Kinda watching
everything on both sides. Sorta like a cow.
You know, their eyes are real big. I have my
eyes open, trying to see.

*Also Oklahoma has ei-
ther won or shared the Big
Eight Conference title each
of the six years Switzer has
been head coach.*

"Once I get in open field, if it's one on
one, usually I'll win."

Seven of Sims' 20 touchdowns last sea-
son came on runs of 30 yards or more.

The Sooners enter their seventh season
with Barry Switzer as head coach. During
his six years, Switzer's teams have won 62
games, lost six and tied two, a record that
is unmatched among active college coach-
es. Also Oklahoma has either won or
shared the Big Eight Conference title each
of the six years Switzer has been head
coach.

Also the Sooners have been ranked
among the nation's Top Ten teams each of
those years and claimed the national
championship in 1974 and 1975.

Last season Oklahoma posted an 11-1
record and finished third in the nation to
Alabama and Southern California, or
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ing on which rating you accept.

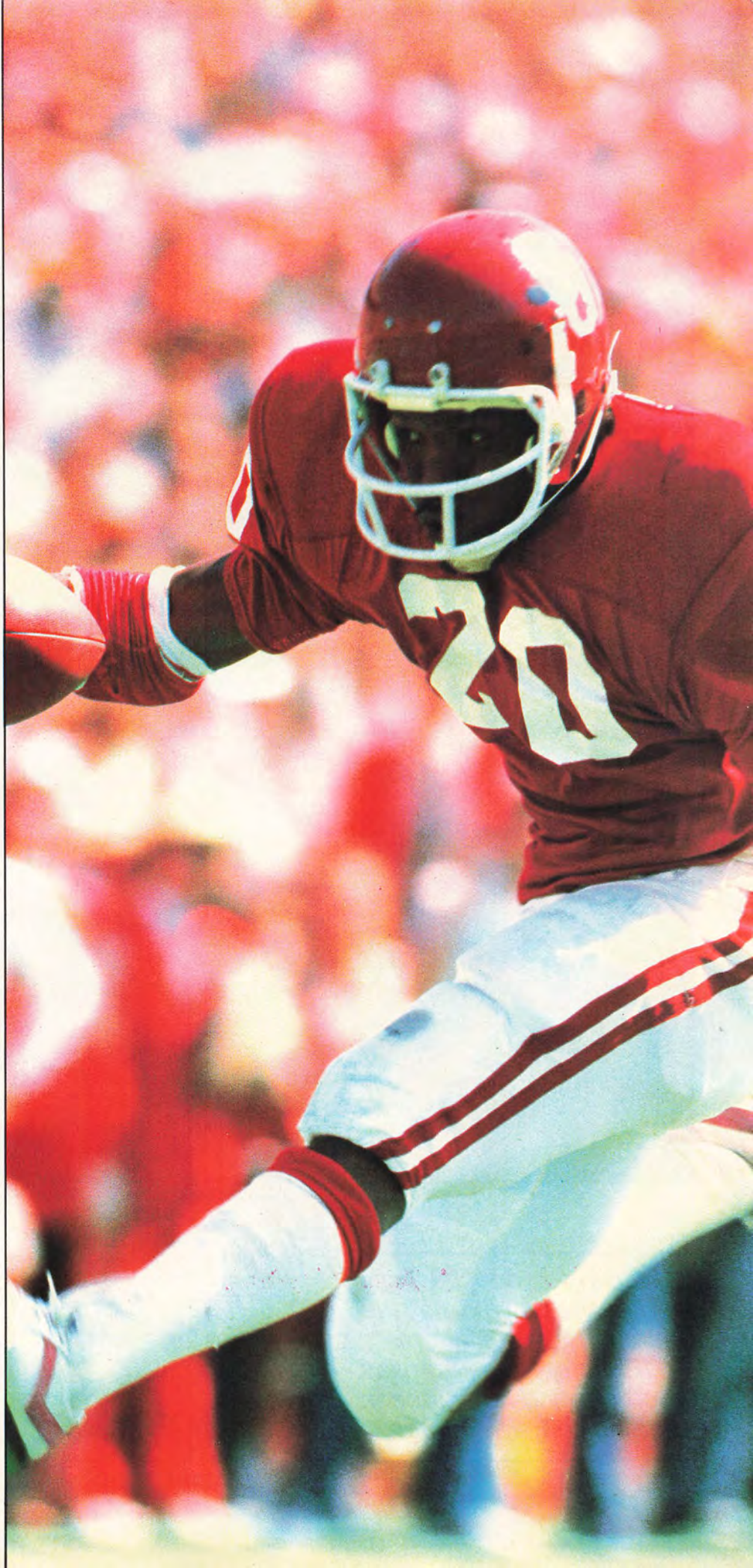
Five offensive starters and seven defen-
sive starters return from that team.

The offensive starters are left tackle
Louis Oubre, left guard Paul Tabor, split
end Steve Rhodes, left halfback Billy Sims
and right halfback David Overstreet. For-
rest Valora alternated at tight end and will
move into that starting role.

The defensive starters are left tackle
John Goodman, right end Bruce Taton,
strong side linebacker George Cumby, left
cornerback Basil Banks, right cornerback
Jay Jimerson, strong safety Mike Babb and
free safety Darrol Ray.

Cumby was a first-team All-American
selection by the Associated Press in 1977
and he and Ray were All-Big Eight selec-
tions last season. In fact, Ray tied an
Oklahoma season record with seven inter-
ceptions. Cumby was not far behind with
five interceptions. (continued)

Second Heisman for Billy???





Barry Switzer hopes to lead the Sooners to the Big Eight Championship in '79.

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Tabor has been moved back to center where he was a starter in 1977.

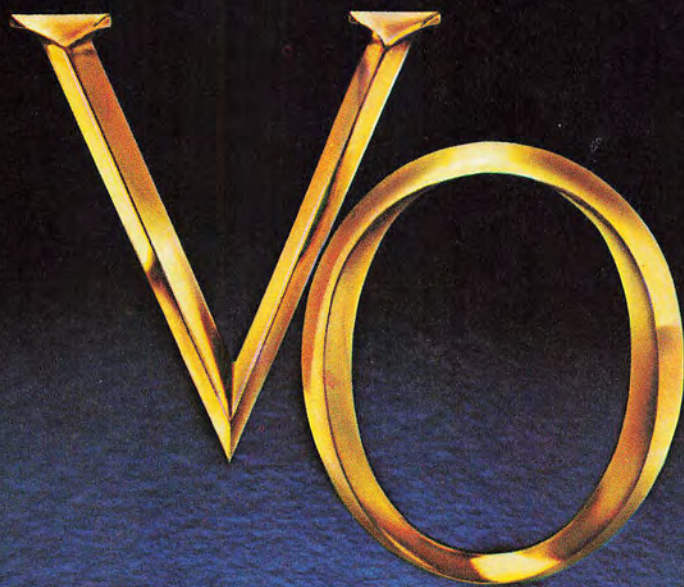
Switzer sees Oklahoma's problem areas as a lack of reserve strength at halfbacks and fullback and a lack of physical strength on defense.

Although Oklahoma's offensive line is inexperienced, Switzer expressed little concern, saying he was more encouraged by the performances of the young linemen than he had hoped to be in the spring.

The other probable starters on offense are left guard Terry Crouch, right guard James Carner, 280-pound right tackle Lyndle Byford, quarterback J.C. Watts and fullback Barry Joyner.

Watts played sparingly last season, but did play the entire game in Oklahoma's 17-16 victory over Kansas when starting quarterback Thomas Lott was injured. Watts rushed for 204 yards and completed 13 of 38 passes for 227 yards and two

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It didn't take long for the climate to change on Iowa State's campus. It wasn't long ago that the Oklahomas, the Nebraskas and the Missouris of the Big Eight Conference rubbed their hands in glee when the Iowa State game approached on the schedule each fall. They counted it as a sure victory and, if it was a home game, they always called it Band Day.

They've played in the Peach Bowl and the Hall of Fame Classic the past two seasons under Bruce, and Schwartz and the rest of the seniors think a dandy way to close out their collegiate careers would be to spend New Year's in Miami.

In those years when Iowa State was trying to stay out of last place—and sometimes out-fumbled Kansas State for it—the Cyclones played in more Band Days than an entire tuba section.

But then came Johnny Majors, with his Tennessee drawl, to do the coaching. Then Earle Bruce with his Woody Hayes sternness. Now Donnie Duncan with his Oklahoma habit of winning.

Suddenly, Iowa State's fans aren't checking the *TV Guide* to see which bowl games will be on the tube during the holiday season.

Heck, now the fans are saying, "Which bowl game are WE going to?" Mike Schwartz, the Cyclones' All-Big Eight safety last season, thought about the big change at his school.

"Yeah, now all the students expect us to win," Schwartz commented. "In the past, people would go into a season unsure about the team and its record.

"Now they not only think we're going to win the games, but they wonder if it will be the Orange Bowl we'll be playing in."

The Orange Bowl. Yes, that's the one Schwartz and the rest of the Cyclones have their eyes on.

They've played in the Peach Bowl and the Hall of Fame Classic the past two seasons under Bruce, and Schwartz and the rest of the seniors think a dandy way to close out their collegiate careers would be to spend New Year's in Miami.

"One of my personal goals is to go through a season when we win at least nine games," said Schwartz, who has played on teams the past three seasons that went 8-3, 8-4 and 8-4.

If Iowa State does indeed win nine games in 1979, it would be the first time it's happened at the school since the 1906 team went 9-1.

The man charged with the responsibility for keeping the new Cyclone tradition going is Duncan, a 38-year-old former assistant head coach at Oklahoma.

Duncan signed on at Iowa State to the tune of \$42,000 a year after Bruce was hired to replace Hayes at Ohio State.

And no, Duncan does not plan to install the Sooners' famous wishbone offense at Iowa State.

"We enjoyed great success with the wishbone at Oklahoma, and we had great players to run it," Duncan said, "but I'm going to continue with the I-formation that's been used at Iowa State.

"The personnel here is better suited to that formation. But the philosophies of the wishbone carry over into a lot of things, so you may see some variations.

"Basically, however, we'll be an I-formation team, and I am familiar with that offense. We ran it at Oklahoma last year along with the wishbone, in order to get the ball to Billy Sims more often."

Duncan said the Iowa State job was the only one for which he has ever applied.

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*Walter Grant returns to guide the
rugged Iowa State Cyclones.*



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Of Frogs & Worms & Other Moving Things

Coaches have gone to great lengths to win games during pep talks, but it's gotten a little out of hand...

by Dave Kindred

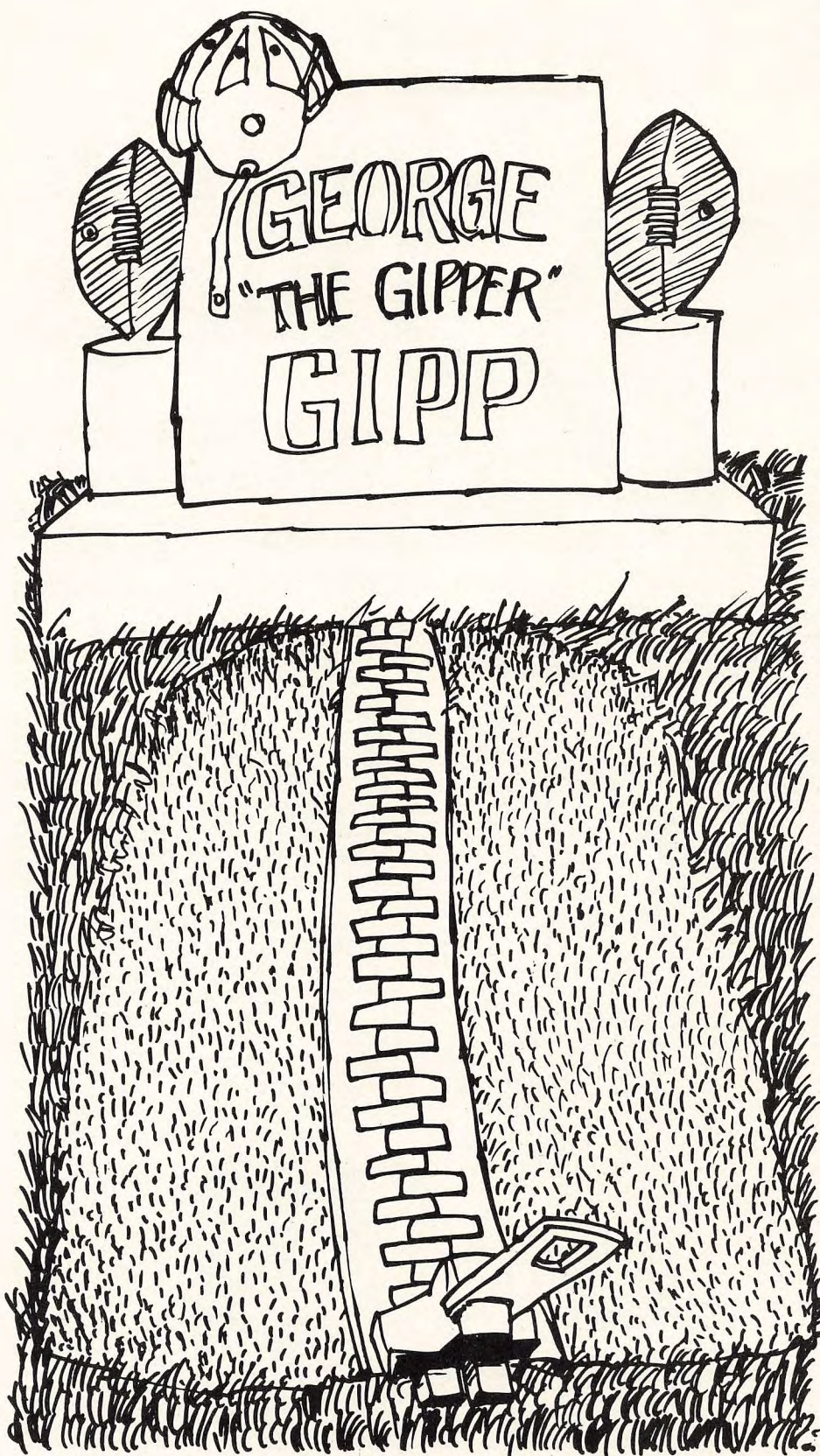
Life is what you make it, and if a man believes football is the way to heaven, more power to him. An earnest young coach in the mountains of eastern Kentucky once said football was his way of preaching the Bible's good word.

Kneeling five minutes before a game, he led his players in the Lord's Prayer...

"... forever and ever, Amen," the coach said before raising his voice to the mountaintops to shout, "Now, give 'em HELL, boys!"

His boys were beaten, 36-0, which may or may not have been a divine judgment on the coach's pep talk. At least the coach
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(Of Frogs and Worms continued)

had his prayers straight. Bill Peterson, coaching the Houston Oilers, gathered his old pros and said, "Now, let's all say the Lord's Prayer." And he began, "Now I lay me down to sleep . . ."

"Hurry Up" Yost, who coached Michigan four decades ago, once stoked his Wolverines to inferno heat and ordered them through a locker room door onto the field—only he pointed to a door that spilled the fevered zealots into a swimming pool.

Connoisseurs of pep talks leaped up in celebration last fall at the revelations from Texas, where Baylor University's coach, Grant Teaff, opened new frontiers in pep talkdom by introducing the first pep worm.

When the book, *Great Pep Talks of the Western World*, is published, it will include Rockne's *Win One for the Gipper*, a speech so effective Rockne used it whenever George Gipp died (the poor guy expired at half-time of every Notre Dame-Army game for years).

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Back when the world was young, Tad Jones, the Yale coach, told his players, "Gentlemen, you now will play for Yale against Harvard. Never in your lives will you do anything more important."

Herman Hickman coached at Yale, too, and he said he once told his players, "Y is for Youth, and that is what all of you have. . . . A is for Alma Mater, which we are fighting for today. . . . L is for Loyalty to your team and school. . . . E is for Effort to win the ball game.

"Put them all together and they spell YALE. . . . Now tear 'em apart this half."

From the back of the room, a Yalie said, "It's a good thing we aren't playing for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, or we'd never get the game started."

Bob Zuppke, the Illinois coach in 1925, made a train-ride speech to his team en route to the Iowa game.

"I walked up and down the aisle admonishing the players about the importance of the game," Zuppke said later. "I reminded them of the few adequate

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(Of Frogs and Worms continued)

substitutes we had, and then proceeded to tell the boys that in this game only a dead man came out."

During the game, Zuppke noticed one of his tackles flat on the ground during a huddle, not listening to the signals. The coach summoned a bench warmer to take the fallen gladiator's place.

"Then Coach Teaff told us, 'If that's what it takes for you to beat Texas, I'll swallow this worm,'" said linebacker Mike Singletary. "And Coach put one in his mouth and sent us out of the dressing room."

Running onto the field, the substitute leaned over the prone tackle, then suddenly turned and sprinted back to the sidelines.

"What's wrong?" Zuppke said. "Why didn't you stay in?"

"Coach," the bench warmer said, "he's still breathing."

Of late, pep talks have taken a biological turn.

In Iowa last season, a high school coach sought to inspire his players for a game against a team with the nickname "Golden Hawks."

The coach bought a chicken.

He painted the chicken gold.

Then, in the locker room before the game with the "Golden Hawks", he kicked the gold chicken around.

Which is a nicer thing by far than what the high school coach in Florida did.

He bit the heads off frogs.

"The team went wild," the coach said.

"The team went berserk," said Grant Teaff, the Baylor pep worm man of last fall.

By dropping a worm into his mouth, Teaff said, he moved his Baylor team to a 34-14 upset of mighty Texas.

The worm's descent into the coach's mouth was the climax of a parable about two Eskimo fishermen, the coach said.

One Eskimo caught fish with every cast while the second Eskimo caught nothing.

The one fisherman succeeded, Teaff told his players, because he kept his bait warm by storing it under his tongue.

He was doing that little bit extra, the coach said.

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As far as anyone knows, Rockne never swallowed a ground squirrel. He was more subtle. On one of those occasions when poor George Gipp was left to rest in peace, Rockne conducted perhaps the least elaborate pep talk ever.

Notre Dame was playing miserably against a Big Ten team and at halftime the players feared the tongue-lashing certain to come. The dressing room was silent. No one spoke. They waited for Rockne. And waited.

Only 30 seconds of the 15-minute intermission were left when the locker room door swung open.

"Okay," Rockne said. "Half a minute left. Let's go, GIRLS!" **END**



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RECRUITING



Old Game with a New Twist

UCLA's Terry Donahue has set a new trend in recruiting.

by Gary Rausch

The subject was recruiting and what better person to voice an opinion on the make-or-break aspect of a college football program than Joe Terranova, the dean of recruiting analysts.

"Who is the best recruiter in the nation?" asked the radio talk show host.

"That's easy," answered the Dearborn, Mich., resident. "There's no better college football recruiter than Jed Hughes of UCLA. Nobody works longer or harder or has more success for his efforts than Jed."

A bunch of coaches in the Southwest were discussing the growing trend toward schools in that section of the country—long a hotbed of prep talent—to venture into other fertile areas.

"To my knowledge, UCLA was the first major school to make a dramatic change in its recruiting," said Jimmy Johnson, Oklahoma State's first-year head coach and a key assistant in Pittsburgh's successful program.

"They went national and were successful. You know how football coaches are; when somebody does something new and is suc-

cessful, everybody starts doing it. UCLA's national recruiting had a snowball effect."

The Bruins were virtually forced into expanding their recruiting areas when admission requirements at their institution were raised and they began losing prospects to schools within their own conference and neighboring leagues.

Jed Hughes didn't know much about this problem when he joined Terry Donahue's staff early in 1976. Neither did his wife Carol. They were very happy at Michigan, but Donahue was building a new staff in Westwood and Jed saw an excellent opportunity for his coaching career.

"When he got the job, the first thing he said was, 'Hey, it's going to be great. There's so much talent in California that I'll never have to leave the state,'" recalls Carol with a laugh. "'It's not like Michigan. UCLA doesn't go out of state. I'll be home every night.' So what happens. . . ."

What happens is Donahue makes a major decision that UCLA will comb the nation for football players and Jed Hughes will find

them and sign them.

In February of 1977, Hughes completed a whirlwind talent hunt by signing nine of UCLA's 21 freshmen recruits. His cluster of All-Americans plus 12 other blue chippers produced a galaxy that Terranova judged one of the finest ever and more than worthy of the National Recruiting Championship.

When UCLA lines up for its season opener against Houston, Hughes will have landed 20 of the blue and gold-clad Bruins, including seven of their 18 incoming freshmen.

Where UCLA once felt fortunate to entice one or two youngsters out of Texas, the Bruins are now regular visitors to the Lone Star State—the only one outside of California that Hughes does not canvas. He has, however, worn paths in the airports of Boston, Norfolk, Miami, Detroit, Cleveland, Chicago, New Orleans, Newark, Portland and Tacoma.

But Hughes is far from a full-time recruiter. He was hired to coach the UCLA inside linebackers and quickly gained the title of defensive coordinator. He calls it a pleasure to coach a three-time consensus All-American

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like Jerry Robinson, Philadelphia's first-round choice in this year's NFL draft, and hopes one of his recruits will be the next Bruin to be so highly decorated.

"I'll go on record in saying that we haven't cheated to get a guy from out of state since I've been with the program and three-fourths of the fellows you couldn't recruit off what they showed on film," he says firmly. There are disgruntled coaches across the country who swear UCLA can't be playing fair when it signs a Kenny Easley, Arthur Akers, Billy Don Jackson, Luie Sharpe or an Irv Eatman.

"I don't place a lot of credence in film," Hughes added. "Sometimes you have to recruit like the professionals look at talent—big, quickness and growth potential. I look for athletic ability, whether he's a big guy or a little guy. I don't think we've recruited anybody from out of state who hasn't been at least a two-sport performer in high school. If he's not, then I'm reluctant to recruit him."

Hughes says it's nice to know UCLA is innovative and that it is being copied. "Now we have to do better. Nowadays everyone tries to be so methodical. I'm not sure that's the answer from what I've found in seven years of recruiting.

"Every year I go back over my evaluations. I look at the guys I lost to another school. Is he playing or not? I think my judgement of character is my strongest trait. I'm not the b.s. type. If I couldn't have personal relationships, I'd get out of coaching."

Just how does Hughes evaluate a player?

"First, I want to know if the player can get into UCLA. That's because number one, he must be a good student. Second, I look at athletic ability. Third, I look closely at the family. I want to see a family with character in it.

"In some ways, family is just as important as athletic ability," he continues. "I have to have a good feeling for it. It's not something I can lay a finger on, other than that I want the type of athlete that I can get involved with when he gets on campus. I want to see him graduate. I want to see him work to expectations and to achieve everything he sets out for. If he doesn't, I want to help him re-evaluate if he has to.

"I want to be around good people. We've built up a reputation with our out-of-state players. Our first year was pivotal and we couldn't have had a better year. This year we got seven of the 11 I went after. You're not going to get everybody; you realize that first."

Hughes says he never pursued two players who were alike. A Dan Dufour is a completely different individual than an Arthur Akers, and both Bruins came from the same high school, Classical High, Lynn, Mass.

Many schools believe it's never too early to actively begin recruiting a prospect, even during the season. Hughes doesn't adhere to this policy.

"We don't like the pros bothering our players, either. You can undermine and really screw up a high school program. Remember, that player has only one obligation and that's to his high school coach."

It never hurts a recruiter to have something going for him other than football. UCLA's highly acclaimed track and field program was directly responsible for landing Eric Brown of Hampton, Va., who set UCLA sprint records in his freshman year.

"If I hadn't gotten track involved, we would have never signed Eric," says Hughes with a sigh of relief. "Jim Bush (UCLA's track coach) became a very big factor."

Every recruiter, no matter how cold-blooded and ruthless his efforts, will admit the toughest phase of his job is telling a young man that old State Tech is no longer interested in recruiting or signing him.



Kenny Easley is one of the prize prospects recruited by UCLA.

"That part of recruiting is even tougher on me than having the youngster tell me no," Hughes says. "I really despise dropping a youngster. Luckily, there have only been one or two because of the way I've been selective from the beginning. Quality is far more important than quantity."

As an assistant at Stanford and Michigan before coming to UCLA, Hughes worked with many fine coaches. He calls Illinois Head Coach Gary Moeller "the guy I'm closer to than any other coach. He's as good a person as I've ever been around.

"You like to develop friendships, but you don't dare open up too much because you never know that coach could be on the other sideline."

Hughes and Bo Schembechler of Michigan were feuding for a while when Jed hustled Mike Mason and Fred Brockington out of the Wolverines' backyard and then landed Easley, who was a Bruin All-American safety as a sophomore.

"Basically he was upset with me because I was recruiting some of the same people I'd been involved with at Michigan," Hughes explains. "Bo is a very loyal person, a tremendous person to work with. He's also highly

competitive. I know how he felt when others left his staff and how he reacted when they came back and recruited against him.

"Recruiting probably destroys more friendships in coaching than any other phase of the profession. That's the worst thing about recruiting."

What does it require to become a successful recruiter?

"I'll say three things—no make it four. One, the person must enjoy doing what he does. Two, he must be honest. You don't stop recruiting a player when he's finally a student on your campus. That's why I don't make any outlandish promises. Be realistic. Three is having a winning program with a head coach, players and alumni willing to make the effort it takes. And four, and this may be most important of all personally, is having a understanding wife, one who gets involved in recruiting and knows what the coach has to do as a recruiter."

Though he claims the worst part of recruiting is telling a prospect no and the coaches' friendships that are often ruined, Hughes places one other evil ahead of the aforementioned two—being away from Carol.

"Jed's crazy," says his wife of eight years. "He was away from home 100 days from November to March. I kept a calendar because I knew nobody would believe me. His longest stay at home was five days.

"I'd pack everything he had. Now and then he's stop off at his parents' home in New Jersey and have his mom wash his underwear. He'd come home on Friday or Saturday night and dump out his suitcase. I'd spend all day Sunday washing and ironing clothes and Sunday night or Monday morning he'd be on another plane."

There have been stretches of two or three days when UCLA's prize big game hunter would fly from New Jersey to Atlanta to Florida and then to Michigan and Indiana.

"When recruiting was finally over this season and he decided to come home, he got the flu. I guess his body couldn't take being slowed down." Obviously Carol Hughes has developed a sense of humor over the recruiting seasons. She hasn't always laughed about the situation.

"I was alone when we went to Stanford. I cried a lot," she said. "I had no job and we had no place to live. I can see how it's hard on the freshmen, being away from home for the first time, but they at least have their teammates. I had no one. That was the hardest year on me, just getting married."

The years of recruiting, the plane flights, crowded airports, driving ice-covered roads, eating at greasy spoons—it all blends together for Jed.

"I can never seem to make the stewards understand that I am not a first-time traveler. 'Don't bug me; let me sleep.' Then it

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Takes Over for Lott at QB J.C. Watts Set to Guide Sooners

By Volney Meece

Taking over the University of Oklahoma quarterbacking assignment from Thomas Lott, a two-and-a-half-year starter, will expose J.C. Watts to pressure from a lot of sources. But one of them won't be at home.

"My wife doesn't like football," J.C. said. "She comes to the ball games, but it's just because I play. She wants to see what I'm doing, but she doesn't care too much about it."

"She never has liked it, even when we were in high school (at Eufaula, Okla.). She always tells me I talk about football too much. Everytime we go some place . . . we'll go out to dinner or something and somebody'll start talking to me and we'll talk about football."

"And sometimes maybe I'll go into somebody's house and leave her in the car. Maybe I'm just going in there for a few seconds to get something. We'll start talking football and I'll forget about her being in the car."

"Hey, she doesn't dislike football. She hates it."

Reminded that the good part is that he doesn't have to worry about coming home after a game and having his wife chew him out for how he played, J.C. said with a grin, "That's true."

While Watts won't get any pressure at home, he won't need it. There's enough built into just succeeding Lott at the helm of Oklahoma's wishbone express.

Perhaps the best job of describing what Watts faces was provided by Lott himself. In discussing Oklahoma's 1979 prospects, Lott said, "A lot depends on the quarterback—if J.C. can stay healthy and perform the way everybody thinks he has the ability to, if he can go ahead and play good football."

One would think a gang of pressure is included in that statement, but Watts said, "Oh, not really."

"When people talk about how they want a person to perform and how this person should perform, that type of pressure doesn't bother me. I heard Julius Erving say once, 'The outside pressure that people put on me doesn't bother me. The pressure that bothers me is the pressure I put on myself.'"

"That outside pressure I've been associated with all my life, and it hasn't bothered me. If I can keep from putting

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pressure on myself, which I think I can, I'll be able to do the job."

Watts agreed to go along with a dissection of Lott's statement:

"A lot depends. . . ." Does J.C. think the success or failure of the Sooners this season depends on how he performs?

"I think I'm going to have to perform for us to be a national championship team," he said. Then he amended that to, "Not J.C. Watts particularly, but the person playing quarterback. I don't think it's so much J.C. Watts, but whoever's playing quarterback is going to have to perform in order for us to be the team we can be."

"It's the same way with the fullback or offensive line—whoever's playing a position is going to have to perform. The success or failure is not upon J.C. Watts' shoulders; it's upon whoever's playing the quarterback position and it just so happens it's me."

"You know, football is a team deal and every player on the field has to do his job. If J.C. Watts doesn't perform, heck, get him out of there. They're gonna have to put somebody in there who can perform. I don't think it comes down to J.C. Watts or Billy Sims or anything like that. I think it's the position."

Lott also said, "If he can stay healthy. . . ." Has health been a problem for Watts?

"No," he said. "I'll tell you what: the Lord's been good to me in that department. I've never been bothered with injuries."

"Well, I'll take that back. My freshman year I got a bruised shoulder and didn't get to play. I could have but it so happened everybody was playing us close. But if I had been called on, I'd have been able to play. It didn't affect me that much. It formed a calcium deposit on a joint but after the

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J.C. Watts sets the Big Red offense in motion.





With J.C. Watts (1) at the helm, Coach Switzer is looking forward to another great season.

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season it was removed and it's been fantastic ever since."

Lott again: "If he can perform the way everybody thinks he has the ability to. . ."

"I think I can," Watts said. "I'm real confident in myself and I'm excited about the upcoming season. It's going to be a challenge to me and I like to accept challenges, take 'em on and see how I fare. I think I can handle it. I'm looking forward to it."

The 5-11, 205-pound junior hasn't had the quarterback job handed to him on a strict "you're-it" basis. Sophomores Kelly Phelps and Rod Pegues are around to argue about the job.

"I won't say I've got it 'cinched'," Watts said. "But I feel like I'm way ahead of the other two because of my year of experience, the games I've played in and the time I've been here."

"I mean, the quarterbacking job at the University of Oklahoma, being a wishbone quarterback, requires a long conditioning period. I think Thomas Lott started midway through his second year (due to an injury to Dean Blevins). Dean had to go through two years. Steve Davis had to go through two years."

"I just think it's essential for a wishbone quarterback to go through two or three years of conditioning and then he'll be a lot better prepared for the job. There's so much to learn. There's so much technique involved. I think the time I've been around here—not my ability—puts me ahead of my competitors."

"Not that I don't feel like I'm a better quarterback than they are, ability-wise. But, again, I've been around. I know the system a lot better and I think I definitely

should have the first shot at starting."

Julius Caesar Watts, Jr. comes from the same small eastern Oklahoma community which produced former Sooner standouts Lucious, Lee Roy and Dewey Selmon and Rod Shoate. J.C. was not unheralded, having been an all-state quarterback.

One of six children (he has two brothers and three sisters), J.C. speaks proudly of his dad, who's a story in himself.

"He pastors two churches, one in Tahlequah and one in Vian, and he's a policeman in Eufaula," J.C. said of Julius Caesar, Sr.

"And he's also a landlord. That keeps him busy, too, working on all his houses. He gets about five hours sleep a day."

The elder Watts used to lug some 275 pounds on a 6-1 frame. J.C., Jr. said, "Carrying all that weight on your body and not getting but about four or five hours of sleep a day is tough on you. It's hard on your shocks."

"But he's strong as an ox. He's still very stout. He's been known for carrying deep freezes on his back and stuff like that. The main thing is he just works too hard. He pushes himself."

J.C. said of his dad, "All his life he's worked hard. He's never had anything. All he got, he's had to work real hard for. He's got a philosophy. 'You can have anything you want if you work hard for it.'"

"He's not rich or anything but whatever he wants he gets by working hard. He's been going at it quite a while."

J.C., Sr. has had to slow his pace of late. The reason, J.C., Jr. said, is "in February he had gall bladder surgery and had gobs of stones removed."

"To show you a little bit about how busy

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he was, they took x-rays and tests on him when he was in the hospital and the tests showed he'd had a heart attack—and he didn't even know it.

"He said he thinks he remembers when it happened. He said he got a pain one day and it knocked him on the bed, but he just sat there a little while and didn't move."

"He's slowed down a lot. He's just getting too old. I think he's about 58."

Asked if he received a strict religious upbringing from his father, J.C. said, "He wasn't VERY strict. I had a set time to be in. At 11 o'clock, I had to be at home and stuff like that."

"As far as me giving my opinion, a lot of parents definitely don't want their children talking back to them. I was always free to give my opinion and he would always listen to my side of the story. He realized there are two sides to every story and always gave me my chance to give my side."

"All the guys I grew up with never had a set time to come in. I would always have a curfew of 10:30 or 11 o'clock. At that time, I thought it was terrible, me not being able to stay out with my friends."

"But right now I really appreciate it. I understand what his theory was. Sometimes I'd say, 'Everybody is staying out 'til 12 or 12:30; why can't I?' He'd say, 'Well, someday you'll have children of your own and you'll see what I'm talking about.'"

"I've got a child now (two-year-old LaKesha Danielle) and I think of all the rules and regulations I was brought up under and, really, it all makes sense now. It makes a lot more sense than it did at that time."

J.C. is very active in Fellowship of Christian Athletes work. "I do a lot of speaking for them," he said. "I'll tell you what: the Lord has been good to me. We can never pay Him back for how good He's been to us, but my 'witnessing,' going out and telling others about Him, is a way I can show my appreciation and let Him know, 'I want to do Your will.'"

Incidentally, where'd that name Julius Caesar come from? "Boy, I'll tell you: I don't know," Watts said. "My grandfather wasn't a Julius Caesar. I don't really want to know. I don't know who would have thought of a name like that in 1920 when my dad got it." **END**



Tight end Forrest Valora (82), an alternate last season, will be a starter for the Sooners in 1979.

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touchdowns last season.

Watts is a junior, but has had three years to learn the intricate quarterback plays. He also is considered a better passer than past Sooner wishbone quarterbacks.

Watts' passing ability and Switzer's desire to get the ball to Sims more may mean the Sooners will use the I-formation more than they did last season.

Overstreet rushed for 408 yards and two touchdowns last season. He averaged 6.5 yards a carry.

Although it is not known for its passing,

Oklahoma has led the Big Eight Conference in touchdown passes the last two seasons. The Sooners had eight last year.

Rhodes caught nine passes for 211 yards and one touchdown. And split end Freddie Nixon caught five passes for 109 yards and a touchdown. They are expected to alternate at split end. Oklahoma sends in offensive plays that way.

The other defensive starters are expected to be left end Barry Burget, left tackle Richard Turner, noseguard Johnny Lewis and weak side linebacker Barry Ditt-

man. Goodman was moved from left tackle to right tackle in spring practice. And Turner and Lewis were tried at noseguard. But Oklahoma's coaches hope to have both of them starting this fall.

And whether Sims becomes only the second player in history to win the Heisman Trophy twice is a question that doesn't seem to concern him.

"I'm just going to go out and play," said Sims. "And we'll just have to see what happens."

Tony Curtis couldn't have said it better.

END



(Below) Junior Vinny Cerrato picks up some ground against K-State. (Right) Tackle Chris Boskey (78) lends a hand to his older brother Tom (96), while (lower right) Chris puts the pressure to Missouri QB Phil Bradley.



(Iowa State continued)

"I determined that I already had an excellent job, so there were certain standards I wanted met before I would move," he said.

"A very young team will be returning," he commented, "but I know there is talent here. If I didn't think we could win, I wouldn't have taken the job."

"I wanted to go where I had a chance to win, and Iowa State offers me that opportunity. There is a new stadium here, new offices, new dressing facilities and I'll be able to tell the recruits that we already have the things that make a great program."

Duncan is confident about his chances at Iowa State.

"A very young team will be returning," he commented, "but I know there is talent here. If I didn't think we could win, I wouldn't have taken the job."

Duncan's tenure under Barry Switzer at Oklahoma was spent first as receiver coach, later tutoring the running backs and last year coaching the offensive line.

He helped develop such star runners as Sims, the 1978 Heisman Trophy winner, Kenny King, David Overstreet and Elvis Peacock.

Last season one of his offensive linemen, guard Greg Roberts, won the Outland Trophy that goes to the nation's top interior lineman.

There was a tendency among Iowans to

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Junior linebacker John Hess takes off to try to block a Missouri punt.



Junior defensive tackle Lloyd Studniarz (94) bags a Tiger.

(Iowa State continued)

start calling Duncan by the first name of Don instead of Donnie when he first arrived.

In 1978, as an all-conference player, Schwartz made 93 tackles, intercepted two passes and broke up three.

But Donnie Howard Duncan is his actual name.

"I thought about changing to Don once," he said, "but it didn't make any difference. Everybody kept calling me Donnie anyway."

Schwartz, a 176-pounder from West Des Moines, said he didn't get to know Duncan when he was on the Oklahoma staff.

"But I really have respect for the man," said Mike. "He seems like a coach who is really sure of himself."

Schwartz, who is studying mechanical engineering, will earn his fourth football letter this fall.

He's one of a whole gang of players

from Dowling High School in his city who went on to play major college football.

Some went to Iowa State, some to Iowa. Even his high school coach, Jim Williams, advanced to college football. He was on Bruce's staff and stayed on to coach with Duncan.

As a freshman, Schwartz learned his lessons well.

"I played behind Tony Hawkins at safety," he explained. And that was the year Hawkins was All-Big Eight.

Iowa State is looking for big things in '79.



"In high school," Schwartz commented, "I played both offense and defense. I was a wide receiver, returned punts and played defensive back."

"Actually, I was recruited as a wide receiver by Iowa State, but the coaches added that there was a chance I'd be on the defensive unit."

"That was all right with me. I figured, 'What the heck, I might as well be at a position where I could play.'"

And play he has. In 1977 as a sophomore, Iowa State had three players on the All-Big Eight defensive team and two on the No. 2 unit. Schwartz was not one of them, although he was a starter and had the second-best tackle total on the squad with 125.

In 1978, as an all-conference player, Schwartz made 93 tackles, intercepted two passes and broke up three.

"Our defensive line was better last year," he said. "It made my job easier."

Like most other defensive players, Schwartz says, "you've got to be a little bit crazy" to play that part of football.

Donnie Duncan is hopeful Schwartz can be crazy one more autumn. And maybe on New Year's Night, too.

In Miami. **END**

Dexter Green, who rushed for 991 yards and 11 TD's in 1978, will be hard to replace.



You Be the Coach

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There's the whistle . . . the ball is ready for play . . . do not be distracted by girls.

PLAY 1: Florida State is trailing LSU, 14-13, in Baton Rouge, 30 seconds to go in the half, the arena a madhouse, as usual. It's third and two at the FSU 35. What shall we do?

- (a) Throw the bomb to the burner.
- (b) Hit the tight end and hope to get field goal position.
- (c) Try for the first down with the halfback off tackle.

PLAY 2: Florida State is leading Arizona State, 7-6, in Tallahassee, 1:05 to go, Seminoles in possession at their 10, second down, seven to go. You do see the problems? Safety first, maintain possession.

- (a) Throw a sideline cut to the split end.
- (b) Run the draw.
- (c) Call both plays in the huddle and audible at the line.

PLAY 3: Florida State trails Florida, 16-10, two minutes left in the half, third and two at the Gator 38 in Gainesville. FSU ball.

- (a) Fake the dive and pitch to the halfback for sweep.
- (b) Wedge over strong tackle.
- (c) Swing pass to back in the flat.

PLAY 4: Florida State and Mississippi State are tied, 14-14, in Tallahassee, only 40

seconds remaining, Seminoles' chance to win or lose, second and eight, FSU 30.

- (a) Fastest man on the post pattern, home-run pass.
- (b) Halfback draw.
- (c) Tackle trap.

Don't cheat but you'll find Florida State Coach Bobby Bowden's calls at the end of this story.

PLAY 5: New game, Texas Tech versus Texas at Lubbock, Longhorns leading, 14-10, third quarter, 2:02 to go, third and three, ball on the Texas 24.

- (a) Dive to fullback.
- (b) Fake dive and quarterback keep.
- (c) Split end fly pattern, throw to the flag.

PLAY 6: Texas Tech at home against SMU, Mustangs on top 26-20, Red Raiders' ball on the SMU 5, first and goal, fourth quarter, 7:30 remaining.

- (a) Pass-run option by quarterback.
- (b) Fullback off tackle.
- (c) Pass to tight end crossing.

PLAY 7: Texas Tech at Texas A&M, score knotted at 13-all, 11:13 to go in game, Tech's ball on the A&M 37, fourth and two, Aggies screaming, "Hold that line!"

- (a) Punt.
- (b) Kick field goal.
- (c) Quarterback sneak.

PLAY 8: Texas Tech at Southern Cal, Tech's ball, own 23, second quarter, 2:21 on the clock, no score, second down, seven to go.

- (a) Pitchout to halfback for sweep.
- (b) Screen pass to fullback.
- (c) Sideline pass to split end.

See Tech Coach Rex Dockery's decisions at the end of this game.

PLAY 9: Going to Jackson. . . Jackson, Mississippi, Ole Miss 3-0 over Missouri, eight minutes before halftime, Rebels' ball, third and five, Missouri 40.

- (a) Delay pass to tight end.
- (b) Fullback off left tackle to set up field goal.
- (c) Quarterback sweep left.

PLAY 10: LSU 14, Ole Miss 10, in Jackson, four minutes to play, 82 yards from the winning TD, second and eight, Tiger

defense running a fever.

- (a) Hot pass to tight end.
- (b) Quick out to split end.
- (c) Triple option read.

PLAY 11: Ole Miss against Tennessee, same place, no score, 3:30 showing in first quarter, Rebs' ball on Tennessee 33, fourth down, two to go.

- (a) Quarterback keep, power sweep.
- (b) Wedge with fullback.
- (c) Call time, check wind, try a field goal.

PLAY 12: Really big game, Ole Miss vs. Mississippi State, locked at 17-17, third quarter, 12:40 remaining, second and one at the OM 44.

- (a) Bombs away, deep strike to flanker.
- (b) Fullback dive.
- (c) Fake fullback dive, pitch to halfback.

Stay tuned to see what Mississippi Coach Steve Sloan would do.

Here's some excitement for you, the strong right arm of Mark Herrmann.

PLAY 13: Notre Dame at Purdue, no score, first quarter, 8:11 to play, Boiler-makers find Irish fumble at Purdue 24.

- (a) Play-action pass, streak pattern.
- (b) Pitchout to halfback.
- (c) Flanker reverse.

PLAY 14: Michigan 15, Purdue 14, at Purdue, fourth quarter, 4:44 remaining, third and three at Purdue 18.

- (a) Fullback at right tackle.
- (b) Fake pass, handoff sweep.
- (c) Hook pattern to tight end.

PLAY 15: Purdue at UCLA, no score, 7:11 until halftime, Purdue driving, fourth and goal at the one-yard line.

- (a) Field goal.
- (b) Fake field goal, pass to halfback.
- (c) Fake dive, quarterback keep.

PLAY 16: Wisconsin at Purdue, home team on top, 7-0, 2:05 to go in third, Boiler-makers' ball, own 43, second and eight.

- (a) Possession pass, read the field.
- (b) Delay pass to fullback.
- (c) Halfback pass off reverse.

Purdue Coach Jim Young has a few opinions of his own.

ANSWERS

field goal distance. It would be correct to take a long look . . . and hit it. 12. b (You hear a lot about the long ball in this situation but we're happy to keep a drive alive.) YOUNG: 13. a (We'd offer a little motion to try and mix the coverage, then throw for a touchdown if we can.) 14. b (I want a first down.) 15. c (We got a touchdown off this play against Georgia Tech in the Peach Bowl.) 16. a (Triple hook would be the call, three receivers 14-yards deep, drag to fullback if they are all covered.)

DOCKERY: 5. a (Our best play is James Hadnot and this is four-down territory, which means we get to do it twice if the first one is short.) 6. b (We like Hadnot.) 7. a (We would kick for the corner. Our field goal man has a long leg but you give up position if you miss.) 8. b (This gives us a chance to match a big man against a smaller back and possibly break a tackle.) SLOAN: 9. a (A little play-action often opens up this one.) 10. c (The defense is probably thinking pass and if we read it right and execute, this can be a good gain.) 11. c (This distance is right on the line of logical

BOWDEN: 1. c (I want that clock running. I am not going to stop it and risk giving up the ball before intermission.) 2. c (I want the quarterback to take a look. If there is an unexpected pass coverage, run the draw. If going to figure us for a run so they'll be bunched up in the middle.) 4. b (I don't want to do anything crazy, but a draw to a halfback who might break a long run against a scattered pass defense is a good call. I really want to get into field goal position and if this doesn't do it, I'll be throwing soon.)

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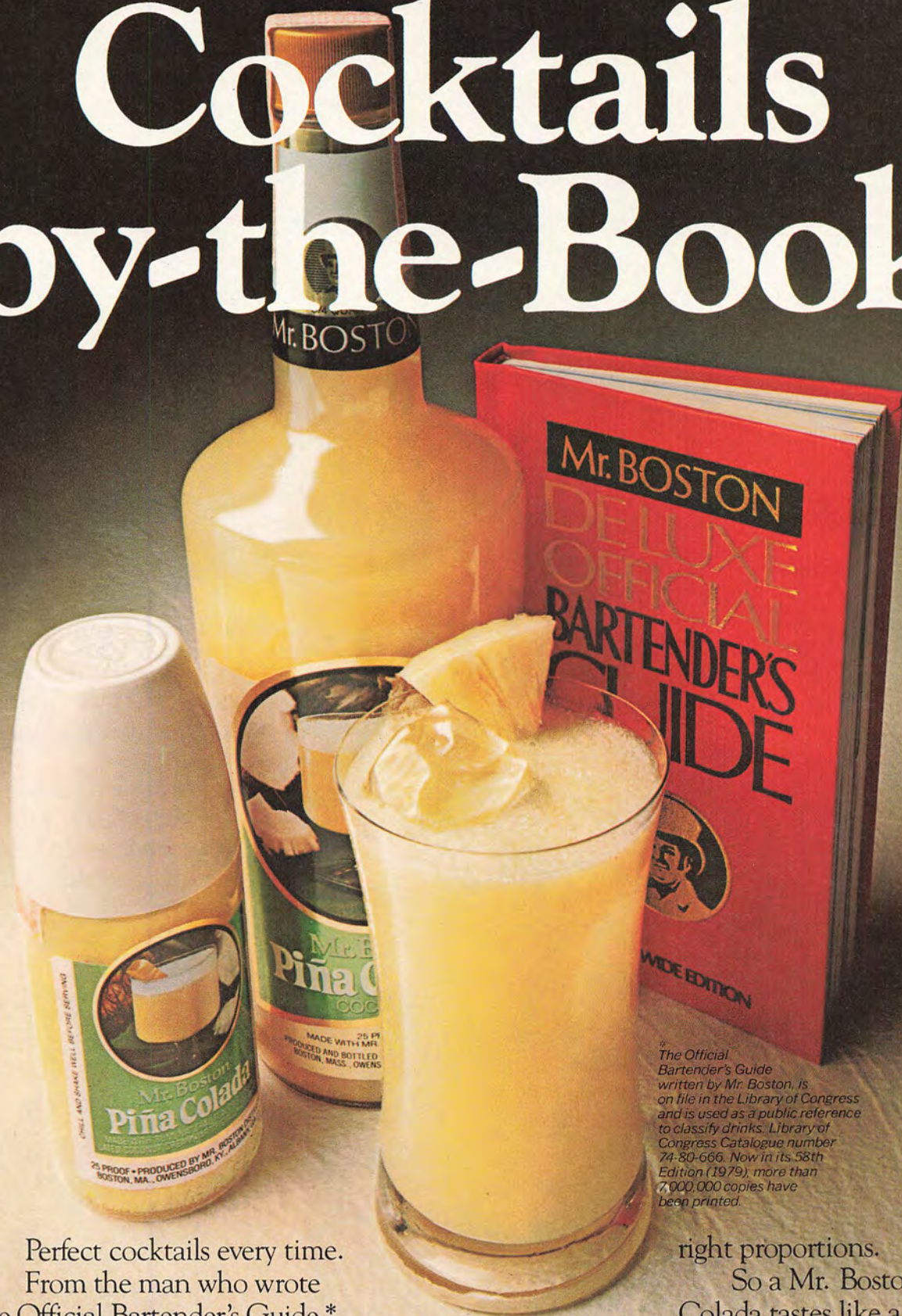


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by Marvin West

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They smiled and said, "You know how old folk get when they reach a certain age. Don't argue the thought. It'll pass."

Bear is old, all right . . . coming up on 66 with a craggy, weathered face that shows every strain of every season, sins committed, errors made. His knees are slower now, when he starts down from the tower above the practice field at Alabama.

The old coach insists on getting up much too early. He chuckles with "Dear Abby", smokes too many Chesterfields and drinks too much coffee while disagreeing with the morning sports reports.

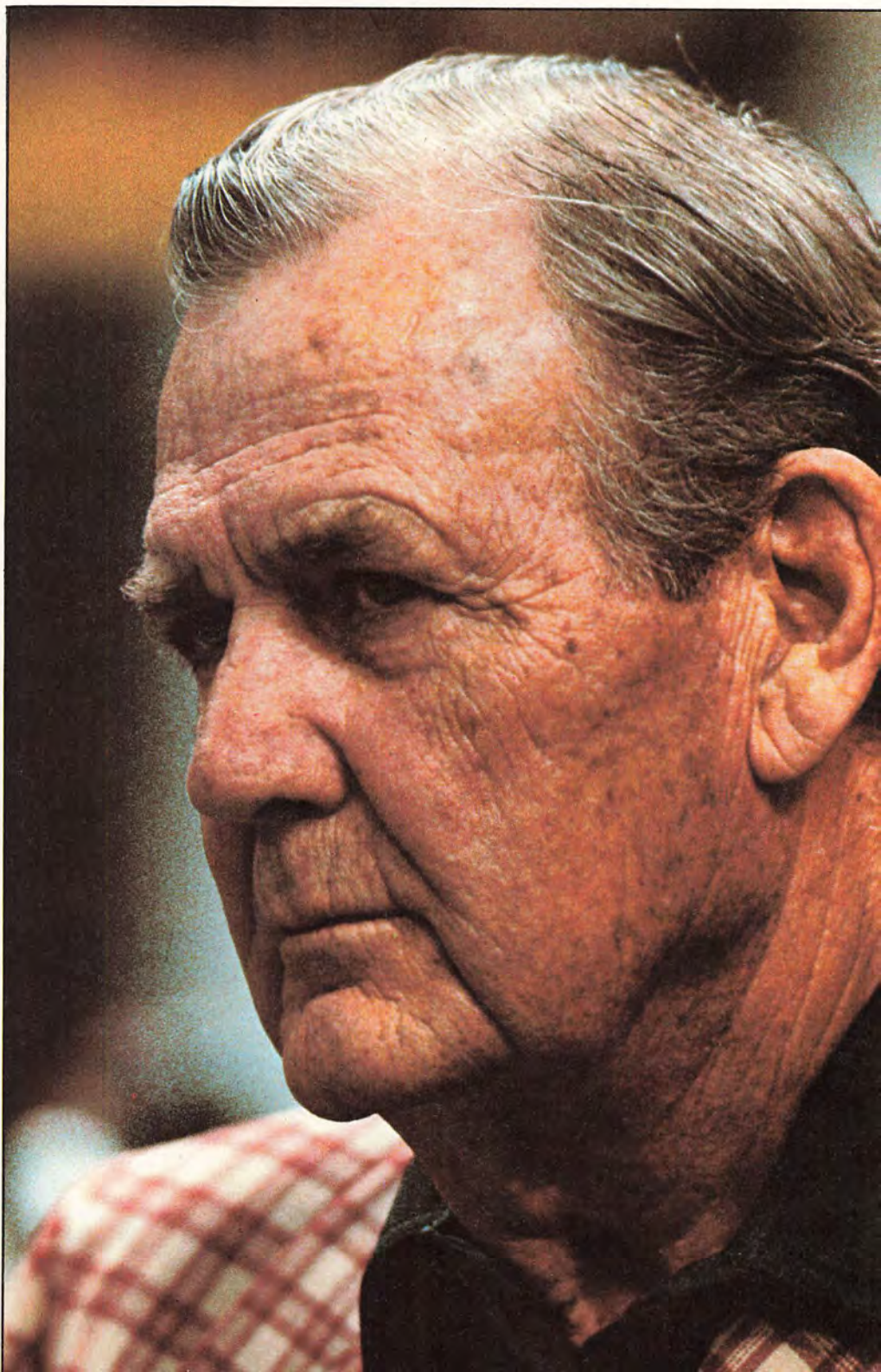
In his best gravel-voiced drawl, Bear reckons he does group his vices. He frets about having too much to do but instead of cutting back, he has a luncheon snack at his desk so he can catch up on another stack of demands.

When you are wealthy and have a wife like Mary Harmon, adulation of fans, respect from peers, when you have scaled the mountains Bear's been over, what remains to motivate a man? Bryant's Tide took the national title in the autumn past, his fifth in a spectacular career. What more can there be?

"How about another 'un," growls Bear.

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NEBRASKA

Isaiah is one of the prophetic books of the Old Testament that foretold the life of the Messiah.

Moses is one of the grand prophets of the Old Testament known for his many accomplishments and great powers of foresight.

I.M. Hipp, the talented I-back in the University of Nebraska's deadly arsenal of skilled performers, is a man of few words and much action. He originally wandered out of the wilderness of South Carolina and the obscurity of the Nebraska depth chart to put together a storybook sophomore season of 1,353 yards beginning with an eye-popping 254 yards in 28 carries against Indiana in a 31-13 win.

Isaiah Moses Hipp wants to leave the prophesying to his better known biblical namesakes. One of the Big Eight's more famous running backs with the unforgettable name simply states, "I hate to seem cold or blunt, but I'm going to let my actions speak for themselves. It's time to stop talking."

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Thus began from that October 1, 1977 date, the makings of a person on the way towards becoming a legend. Hipp rightfully earned Big Eight Newcomer-of-the-Year honors with six games over 100 yards, three of these over 200 yards plus 10 touchdowns, 6.3 yards per carry and a new Nebraska single-season net rushing record.

That led to great expectations in I.M. Hipp's junior year. Yes, the muscular running back, who can run like a deer with the impact of a tank, got caught up in the swirl of Heisman speculation that was rampant in the Big Eight in 1978. It began with Dexter Green at Iowa State and wound up with eventual winner Billy Sims at Oklahoma, but the swirl made a stop at Lincoln, Nebraska, where it was helped along by I.M. Hipp. "Yes, I consider myself in the running for the Heisman," Hipp spoke for public consumption. He saw it as an individual honor that would validate the work of his Nebraska teammates.

It didn't happen. The native of Chapin, South Carolina, by no means had a season to be ashamed of, running for 1,002 yards to become the first Husker to compile back-to-back 1,000-yard seasons. His combination with now graduated Rick Berns gave Coach Tom Osborne's team the most awesome I-back running tandem in college football. But Isaiah Moses Hipp wants his senior year to be something different, including a lower verbal profile.

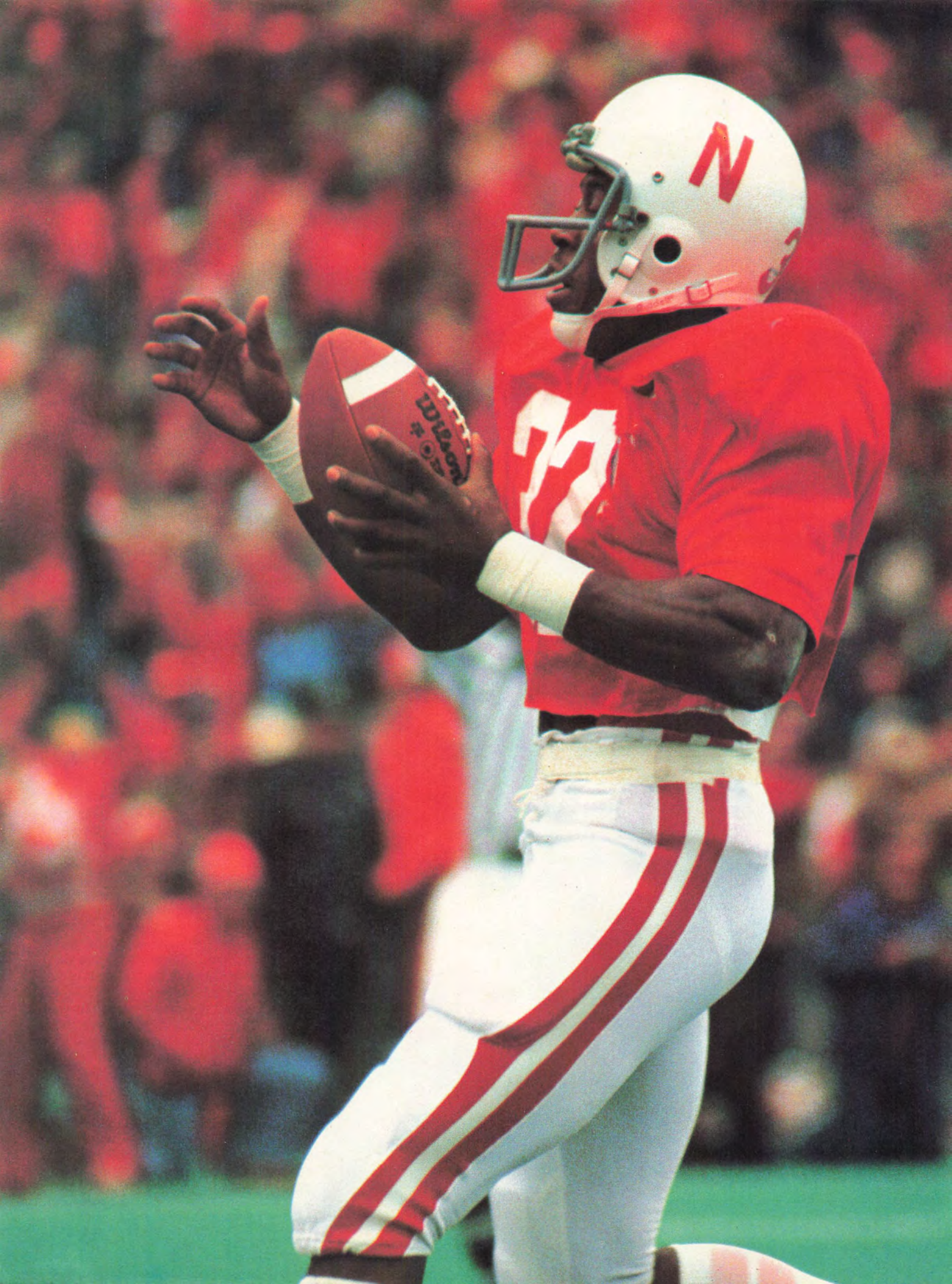
"I'm letting the Heisman thing take care of itself," Hipp related in what would be the very early going of Heisman campaigning. "I look at it this way, to each his own. If a college back wants to campaign and needs to say all that to boost himself, then that's what he does and I have no argument against it. I feel that it's his right. But that's not me. I'll let my actions speak for themselves."

Hipp won't refuse individual honors, if they come his way. "I have a different view for my last year at Nebraska," he said. "I look at it and the team honors are part of it. But I won't lie to you, the individual honors are part of it too. This is my senior year and I want to complete it in the right way: for the team—yes, and for the individual—yes."

Is that a Hipp hint of an attempt to become the first Husker back to rush for three 1,000-yard seasons in a row?

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Home for I.M. Hipp is the end zone, close to Nebraska hearts.





•Nebraska linebacker Tom Vering, a hitter you can hear, is cocked for a collision.
(Nebraska continued)

When Hipp talks about his senior year being different, he could indirectly be referring to the absence of running mate Rick Berns, the steady, durable Wichita Falls, Texas runner that went over 2,600 yards in his career.

"I'm not going to make any predictions," Hipp recoiled, true his 1979 role as non-soothsayer status. He is a man of a few, carefully chosen words, frequently prefacing statements with, "I look at it this way," or, "It's like I say," or "It seems this way to me." He is even careful about relating his background. The facts have been set down in I.M. Hipp's mind through repetition to the point that he occasionally slips into the third person while talking about his own life.

"The story goes," Hipp begins, "that I was injured in the first game of my senior year, after the first bunch of letters from coaches came to me." A listener almost expects Hipp to begin the next sentence with, "It came to pass that . . ." "I had a chipped bone in my shoulder and it seems like I sat out four or five games. A lot of things passed by me while I didn't play. Schools that had showed interest no longer did. I took it upon myself to write some letters to schools that I wanted to play for and Nebraska was one of them. I really think Nebraska didn't know how good or bad I could be, but they replied to my letter and said, 'Come walk on.' From the time I arrived on campus, I was treated equally, just like a scholarship player."

Hipp thus joined the ranks of a thriving, Nebraska walk-on program, that through off-season employment, and in Hipp's case need basic financial aid, (he hails from a large family on the lower end of the South Carolina economic order) that can complete or even exceed an out-of-state full-ride athletic scholarship.

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"I don't know what Rick's absence will have on my game," Hipp said, but he was quick to add, "I don't feel I need to be pushed to do better at what I do. There is no need for anybody to push me because I push myself. There may be a need for

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*Winning is so much fun in
Big Red country.*





• *Big man with big hooks on the ball is Husker tight end Junior Miller, a big problem for not-so-big defensive backs.*

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others to have competition in order to do better and I know that I am not alone. I just feel no need to be pushed by someone else."

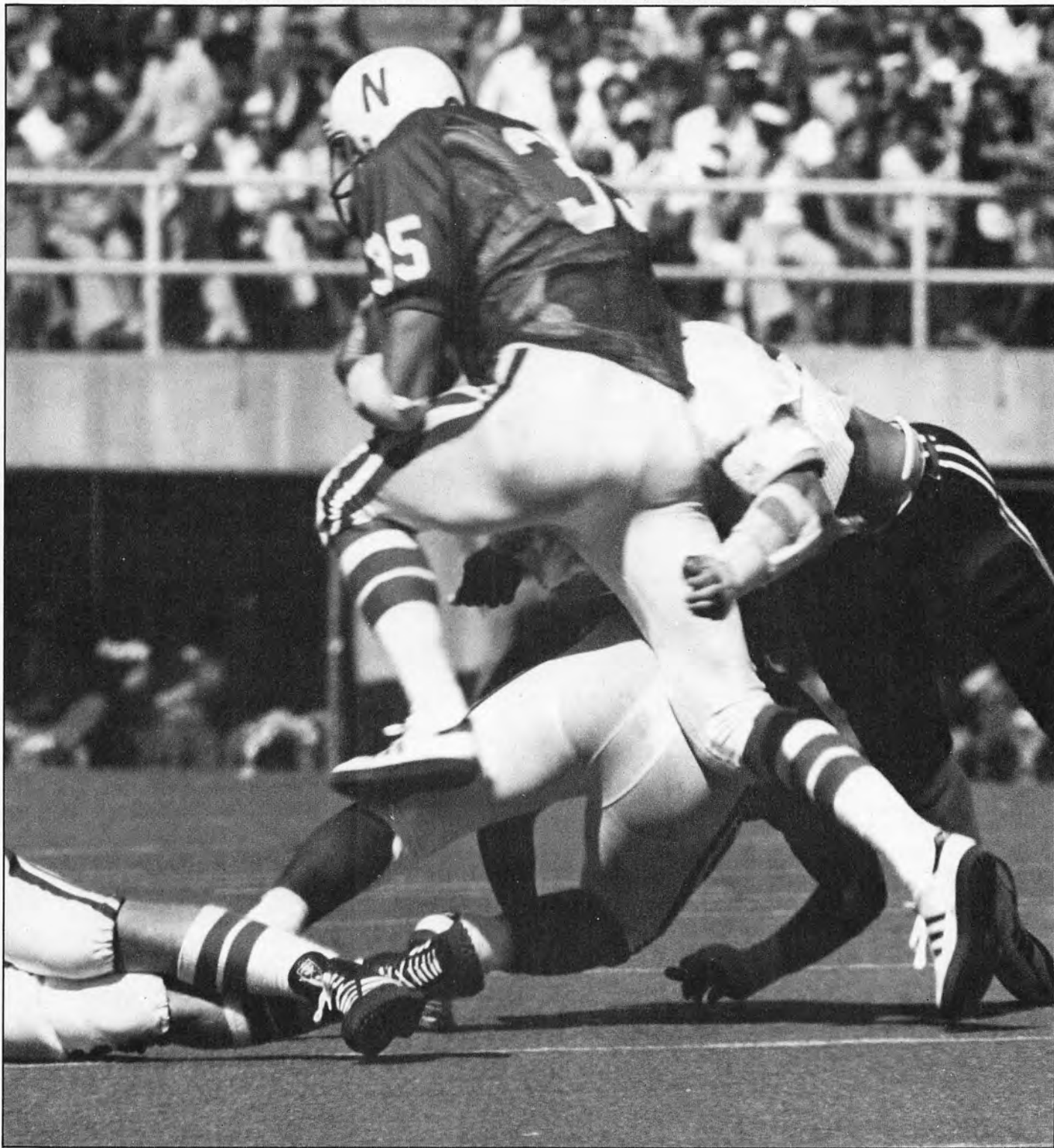
It is probably fortunate Hipp takes this

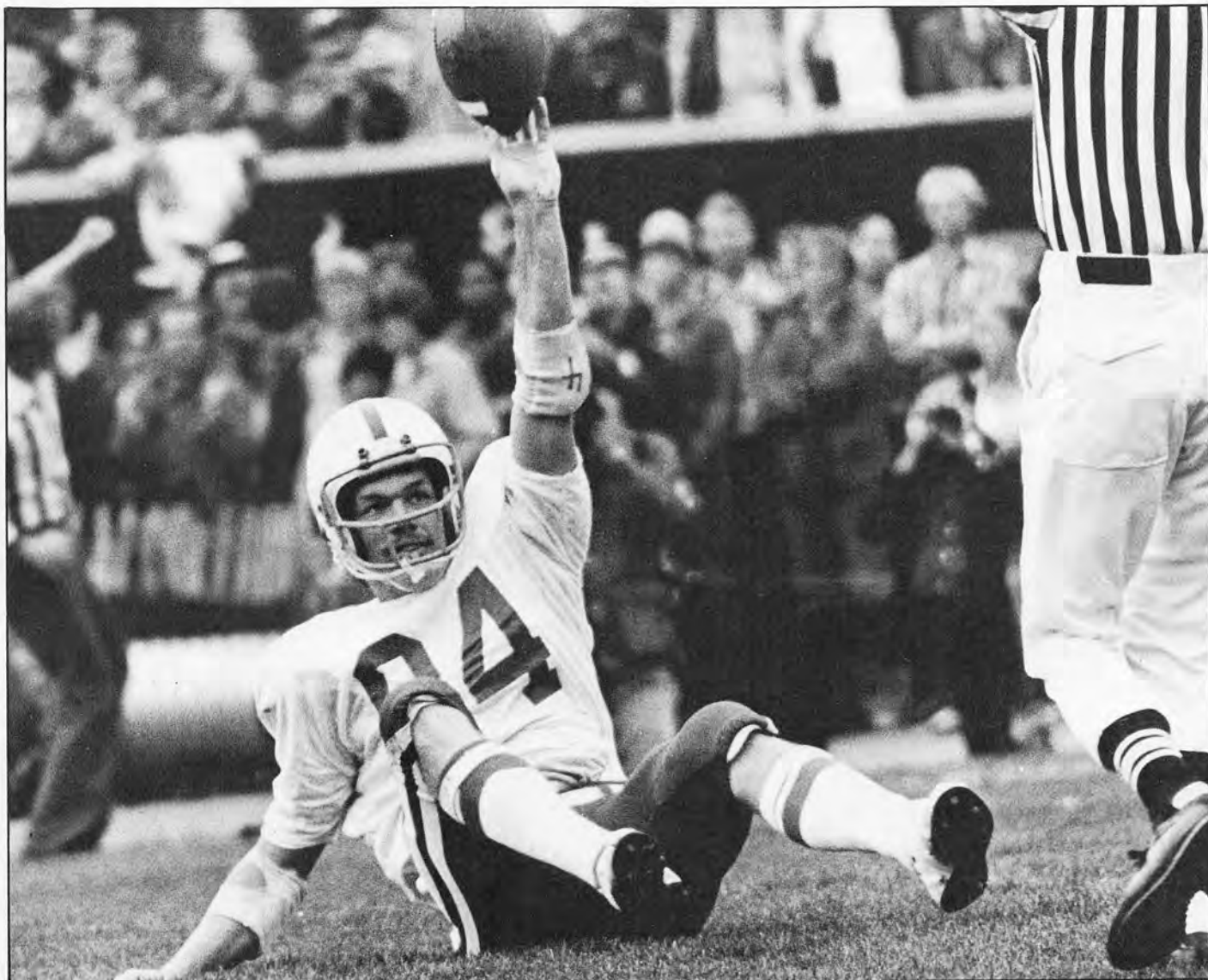
rather isolating view, because observers of the Nebraska cause would say there is plenty of competition from transfer running back Jarvis Redwine, the sensation of last spring's football drills as the team's most

noteworthy development. Redwine, who became disenchanted with Oregon State football after starting four games his freshman season, emerged to share the No. 1 I-back duties with Hipp and will form him

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The departure of Rick Berns will leave speedster Hipp as the only Husker in the Heisman chase.





Senior split end Tim Smith (6-3, 194) proudly displays the fruits of another clutch reception.

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another Husker one-two running punch heading into fall.

Redwine leaped over proven I-back performers Tim Wirth and Craig Johnson with the perfect combination of speed to run away from defenders and power to run over them. Even Tom Osborne has been moved to state for the record that Redwine has a chance to become a real great back. And junior Andra Franklin is a returning starter at fullback that sweetens the ground-gaining situation to the point of diabetic coma.

Hipp is constantly on the look out for ways to improve his game and last year he saw plenty of room for improvement watching himself run in game films. "I couldn't believe the punishment I was taking," he recalled. "I told myself I don't

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have to take that kind of punishment ever again."

The answer was a rigorous program of weightlifting and Hipp has become a near-fanatic at it.

"If anything, you have to go in and pull Isaiah out of the weight room or he'll spend too much time in there," noted Osborne. "He's the type that took to weight training like a duck to water." He is, if anything, a very muscular duck. Hipp holds the record for running backs in every imaginable category: 290 pounds in the clean jerk, 315 pounds bench press, and a leg sled (measuring leg strength) of an amazing 915 pounds. "I've worked more on my lower than my upper body, but I'm trying for more of a balance. You can't take any more punishment like I have in the past."

Hipp utters that last sentence with more
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Senior defensive back Mark LeRoy traps a Jayhawk.



Nebraska's junior varsity was dealing out another licking, this time to Kansas State. But it was a freshman wide receiver from K-State who caught the attention of the Husker coaches watching the game.

"Why isn't that kid playing for their varsity," a Nebraska assistant muttered after watching Eugene Goodlow burn the Husker secondary 12 times for 304 yards and a pair of touchdowns.

A reasonable question. The K-State varsity was well on its way to a second-consecutive 1-10 season, a 21-game Big Eight losing streak, and its usual spot in the conference cellar. Not exactly a team loaded with talent.

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The question was asked again a few months later when Jim Dickey, newly hired to replace Ellis Rainsberger as Wildcat head coach, took a look at the junior varsity films. Dickey watched Goodlow's moves, and his mouth watered.

The question also was asked a thousand times by Goodlow, silently, in his own mind, not to the K-State coaches.

"I felt I could've done no worse than a lot of those guys," said Goodlow, who bore his frustrations alone. "I never popped the bad attitude or talked back, but it was a very big disappointment."

Not getting to play was only part of Goodlow's bad freshman season. Later on, he would discover he was one of the 13 players illegally granted scholarships by Rainsberger. There was no loss of eligibility, but the thought of being deceived bothered the young, quiet kid from Rochester, N.Y.

"I didn't like the head coach," he says frankly. "He told me one thing, and when I got here he didn't keep his promise. I thought I was on scholarship, then I heard I was a walk-on. I didn't know anything about that."

He did know he was glad to see Dickey and his new staff arrive on the scene. The coaching change may have been responsible for keeping Goodlow at Kansas State. The Midwest isn't his idea of Heaven, and getting messed around made it even more unpleasant.

Fortunately for K-State, Goodlow didn't have much time to think about leaving. Immediately after the football season ended, he joined the Wildcat basketball team.

Basketball is just as important to Goodlow as football. "I had some opportunities to go to programs with better traditions, but K-State said I could play both," explained Goodlow, an all-stater in basketball as well as football during his high school days at McQuaid Jesuit in Rochester.

That was his major reason for picking Kansas State, but it wasn't the only one. "I wanted to get out and experience something new," he said, then grinned, "but I didn't know I was going to experience something like this."

Don't misunderstand him. He likes K-State, the students, faculty and coaches. It's the lifestyle he dislikes.

"Life is very, very slow and much more casual than back East," explained Goodlow. "I wouldn't want to live here, but it would be a nice place to retire."

Retirement, of course, is the furthest thing from Goodlow's mind these days. His thoughts are on the upcoming football season—a season many folks around Kansas State think will be a great one for Goodlow. The optimism is based on what the 6-1, 185-pound flanker accomplished during the first half of last season.

In K-State's first six games, Goodlow grabbed 19 passes for 541 yards

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and four touchdowns. A truly big-play threat, his TD's covered 87, 68, 63 and 50 yards. His best game? Against Nebraska, but this time it wasn't a junior varsity game. He caught four passes for 156 yards against the Huskers.

But that turned out to be his last sparkling effort. An ankle injury sidelined him for two games and most of a third, he was blanked against Missouri and caught only one pass against Oklahoma.

"I felt he was on par to having a super year until the ankle injury," Dickey said.

By most accounts, his season was pretty fair anyway. In addition to scaring the dickens out of opponents with his deep pass routes, Goodlow averaged almost 24 yards on kickoff returns. Only Heisman Trophy winner Billy Sims of Oklahoma produced more tandem offense. Sims gained 1,797 yards; Goodlow 1,213, an average of 22 yards every time he touched the ball.

His efforts were good enough to win Big Eight Newcomer-of-the-Year and second team all-conference honors. And they were good enough to send the K-State sports information office scurrying for All-American publicity.

So what did the Wildcats' All-American candidate do this summer? He devoted most of his time to basketball.

Goodlow isn't a great basketball player, but he's good enough to play at Kansas

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These Kansas State defenders show no respect for this Oklahoma back.



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starts all over again; another plane, another car, another town. Believe me, having a good travel agent is very important, knowing one or two people you can count on anytime night or day, people who are willing to help."

When his parents persisted in presenting just the right gift, Jed told them to get him a wrist watch with an alarm in it. "It saved me in Atlanta where I was due to take a 7 p.m. flight and they didn't make up their minds until 4:30 a.m. to cancel it.

"I remember another time I got snowed in at Newark for 24 hours. I finally talked a guy into renting me a car and then all I saw were people all over the highways and in the ditches. When I finally reached Miami, it took me 3½ hours to get a hotel room and then I had to meet a recruit at 7:30 a.m.—four hours later. And that's a good night!"

Hughes admits he does more sleeping on planes than in hotel rooms. He dreads driving because of the dead time in being confined to watching the road and not getting anything accomplished. He'd rather fly than drive, even if his destination is only an hour away by car.

On the road he religiously sticks to a set schedule which includes running no matter whether his watch says it's midnight or 5 a.m. "I'll run 12 to 14 miles some days. Weather never stops me. When it's snowing, I'll run in the streets. Well, there was a hurricane or something that hit in Louisiana this year and I couldn't run in that."

Jed disdains letter writing and says if he answered every letter he gets about a prospect, he wouldn't sign three players a year. He labels himself "basically a lazy person," yet he holds a bachelor's degree from Gettysburg, a master's from Stanford and a doctor's degree from Michigan. Such a background is not indicative of a lazy person.

"The reason I went after my Ph.D. was because I had an English teacher in high school who told me I'd never get through college. Everytime I got lazy in college, I'd think of him. I went back to see him as soon as I got it, just to let him know. I very seldom do that type of thing. It's important to be humble, but sometimes you have to take advantage of your position."

Even during a so-called vacation, Hughes will be involved with football in some fashion. Last summer he and Carol spent a week at Newport Beach, but Jed got itchy by mid-week and dragged Carol to a high school all-star game. There he sat, oblivious to the crowd around, shouting out defensive calls as if high in the L.A. Coliseum press box, diagnosing a Pac-10 Conference opponent.

"Football is never out of his mind," says Carol. "We wake up on a Sunday morning in the off-season, and the first thing he says to me is, 'Oh, I forgot to bring home my game films.' You don't understand it until you live it." **END**

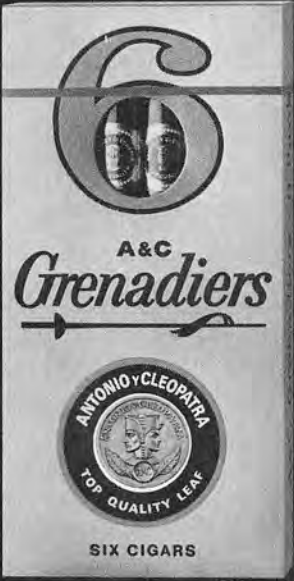
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College Football CAN Compete with Pros

by Galyn Wilkins

Sitting there in his button-down shirt, his steel-rims and his slight physique, Russ Potts obviously was misrepresenting himself, a fake. An athletic director at a famous university? This?

Imposter! Sir, you are talking to an inquisitor who has hung around big-time AD's 20 years. Where, sir, are the wide shoulders, the open-collar shirt, the gruff voice, the size-11 feet, the sun-weathered neck?

Aren't athletic directors old line coaches who have come through the ranks? Don't athletic directors spend their time with their feet on the desk talking on the phone to old cronies? Haven't they come to that time in life where the biggest pressure is making the noon tee-off time? Isn't their biggest job of the week chewing out the track coach for overspending his budget?

Who is this Russ Potts and why is he destroying the image? This Russ Potts who was never an athlete, much less a coach? This Russ Potts who thinks a tee time is little old ladies clinking porcelain in a parlor? This Russ Potts who came from way across the tracks—he was, good grief, once a sports editor in a small town!

But this Russ Potts is an athletic director, all right. An AD in a different shirt, a different mode of approach. Maybe a 21st century AD whose time has come before we knew it.

Potts may save Southern Methodist from a fate worse than death—empty stadium seats. When he gets around to writing a textbook he may save others. Could he save Miami? Could he prevent fiscal strangulation at Washington? UCLA? Kansas? Boston College? Rice?

No open war exists between college and pro football teams in the same metropolitan areas, no great advertising battles, no PR shootouts at high noon. But there is an uneasy peace—and the pros have been winning it for 20 years in most places. People like Potts in the college business know why. Promotion is often a dirty word around college administrators, promotion and its promiscuous sister, commercialism. The big hustle doesn't often mix well with the striped-tie, tweedy conservatism of academia.

Fine. Bear Bryant doesn't have to give



Promotional gimmicks have helped, but an exciting football program has helped fill seats for the Mustangs, too.

away hats and shirts, or fill the stadium with high school bands. Old Texas grads would croak if Darrell Royal turned loose 160,000 balloons at an opening game kickoff. Does Notre Dame need Jerry Lewis to strew jokes on the paths to the stadium?

SMU is different and so are many other athletic programs fighting for a shrinking wedge of the so-called "athletic dollar." So was Maryland, when Potts went to work there in 1970 as an idea man for Athletic Director Jim Kehoe. Maryland was between two rocks and a hard place—between a losing run of seasons and between the Baltimore Colts and the Washington Redskins. Kehoe had no idea what to call Potts' job. All he knew was that Potts had been directing something called the Apple Blossom Festival in Virginia—something that drew 300,000 people.

In seven years while the busy minds of Kehoe and Potts ran on overdrive, Maryland football attendance increased from an average of 17,000 to 40,000. Basketball attendance surged from 8,000 to 14,000.

Several years ago, SMU saw the light. It needed, not necessarily a sports-oriented careerist, but perhaps a businessman. That was the idea of a businessman named

Dick Davis. So SMU hired Dick Davis. He saw his job, basically, as one of attracting and keeping customers, creating fans and turning them into cheerleaders.

"Davis had all the ideas, but he didn't know how to put them in operation, how to really get out and get things moving," says one of Davis' colleagues who has remained at SMU.

Potts replaced Davis a year ago—and started talking. He talked to a civic club and promised 40,000 people in the stands for the TCU game (a dead series since the 1940's). Listeners thought Potts a stand-up comic, or a used-car salesman from the east.

Only Potts is still laughing, or would be if he had time. SMU's crowds leaped from an average of 24,900 to 52,000 in a year, the largest jump ever registered by the NCAA seismographs. Against Houston, SMU drew its largest crowd in 13 years. The Mustangs drew 44,000 against Arkansas—in the rain.

A vibrant, instantly likable sort (Would you buy a used stadium seat from this fella? Quite likely.), Potts often converses in slogans.

"There's no momentum in empty seats," he'll say, grandly. "There are only echoes from empty seats. Get the public

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involved. Never be afraid to show your enthusiasm for college athletics. A bumper sticker is worth 10,000 words."

Broken down into working lingo, Potts' message is that the time has come when colleges must go out and reach the potential customers. The day is over when a college can open the stadium ticket window and say, "Here we are, take us or leave us." The time has come to distribute 50,000 bumper stickers (Mustang Mania in red, white and blue with a flying horse). The time has come to hand out free hats, free shirts, free jackets and discount tickets.

In other words, like it or not, athletic directors in the appalachian areas must "turn pro". The tricks aren't new. The NFL lured its fan base with them in the late 1940's and 1950's. Baseball has tried every trick in the books.

Potts often talks in "we" and "they". We are the college people. They are the pro people.

"We sat back and let them get away from us," he says, abandoning a cheeseburger for conversation. "The NFL got the younger generation and it was so simple. They gave the league exposure. Soon they had everybody identifying with Charley Conerly and Sam Huff and Johnny Unitas. Group sales? The NFL pioneered that."

Potts admits his methods aren't even new in college athletics. His tutor and career idol, Michigan's Don Canham was a pioneer in magnetizing the college product. Canham once was a track coach but came back into the athletic directorship through business, where he was so successful, Potts says, "he doesn't have to do this for a living. He wouldn't have to do anything."

Canham faced a similar job as Potts, except on a larger scale. Michigan was drawing 60,000 people to a 100,000-seat stadium. Canham's obsession was to fill it and endow Michigan with a full park ever afterward. He used to put 50 high school bands in Michigan Stadium, at one time. He went to corporations, to alumni, to ex-lettermen. He made a Michigan football game a colossal event.

They talk often on the phone, Canham and Potts, maestro and student. Potts likes to make the visits competitive. The other day he bragged that HIS band day would have 100—a hundred—bands in the stadium. Canham was beside himself. He has run out of big band days. There isn't enough room for non-paying customers.

Several days later, Canham phoned back. There would be a mass band day at Michigan next fall, after all.

"He's a genius!" Potts exclaimed.

"You got to hand it to him. Brilliant!"

Canham had decided to hold band day on a Saturday when the Michigan team would be out of town. He would engage Slippery Rock and another team—and hundreds of bandsmen.

"I idolize him," Potts repeated. "What an idea! Now I got to think of something and call back. Don't you see the beauty of it? Bands everywhere and every tuba player with a mom and dad. To them he's just as important as the star quarterback is to his parents. They buy tickets, too. They buy hot dogs, too."

Exposure. All of Potts' efforts are aimed toward this difficult target. Get people to the stadium, show them a good time, a good product and chances are they'll come back.



Russ Potts is a different kind of athletic director. His exciting promotional ideas have vaulted SMU back into the limelight.

Exposure takes advertising. Advertising takes money. Colleges must get exposure to make money. How to complete the circle?

One way is to get free advertising. Potts, for example, has a soft drink company based in Dallas sponsoring a "Hall of Fame" game at which former SMU stars are honored. The company advertises the game on TV and in the papers. Potts gave away hats at one game last season, the hats paid for by a potato chip company.

"We haven't scratched the surface," says Potts. "Take the hats. What if I had an extra 500 hats? Five hundred hats and passed them out to . . . get this . . . filling station attendants? Who is more visible than the filling station attendant? And 500 of them wearing hats with SMU on them. Why didn't I think of that?"

Potts was asked his biggest promo-

tional failure, the big crowd that got away.

"Service Day at Maryland," Potts answered quickly. "Maryland is in the middle of a million armed forces people, but I could never get them in to the games. I tried and couldn't. It bombed."

Another question: Would Potts and Kehoe have bombed at Maryland but for the successful teams built by Coach Jerry Claiborne. Would Don Canham still be hustling bands if not for Bo Schembechler? Would Potts be eating leftover hot dogs from last season had not fiery Coach Ron Meyer pushed the Mustangs off to a blazing start?

"You've got to have the product, no question," nods Potts. "People need to go home and say, 'Hey, we had a great time—and we saw an exciting game.' What else can you say about Ron Meyer? He's given us excitement."

"We think alike," says Meyer. "He does things with a certain amount of class. People think he's a Barnum and Bailey guy, but he's not creating a three-ring circus around here. The Mustang Mania theme appeals to everybody—especially the athletes. They remember looking up in the stands and seeing 7,000 people rattling around."

Potts says there might have been 7,000 in the stands but 700,000 outside looking for a college team to support.

"I spoke at a pep rally when I first got here," says Potts. "What did they want to hear? Hope. They wanted to hear some hope. I gave them hope because we're going to the top. This is the eighth largest market in the country. Tell me it can't be a winner. Tell me there isn't room for SMU and the Dallas Cowboys."

Potts speaks everywhere, speaks of triumphs over impossible dreams (SMU outdrew the Cowboys twice last season), the rewards of the work ethic, college football as a superior product and good clean fun (and maybe a free hat) at the ballpark. He talks a different language than most athletic directors.

"College athletics went through a long era when the football coach or the basketball coach was kicked upstairs to be athletic director," says Potts. "Ninety per cent of those programs are in the red. Those days are over."

They are in Dallas, at least, where SMU's balloon is going up, up, and away.

Epilogue: Hours afterward, Potts snapped his fingers, as if a cartoon light bulb had suddenly popped on over his head. "Service Day," he said. "I got an idea. We honor a general at halftime. That guarantees us a crowd because he's going to order 5,000 servicemen to come watch him. Why didn't I think of that at Maryland?"

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Former Indiana Assistant Coach Jim Gruden still knows exactly how far it is from the football offices in Bloomington—I.U.'s home in southwestern Indiana—to Richmond High School in the far eastern part of the Hoosier State.

His mission was to recruit Vagas Ferguson, a blue chip running back, and because he was limited to three official visits, he spent plenty of time in the stands munching on popcorn and watching the Richmond standout perform.

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"Right at 110 miles," smiles Gruden. "I should know. I made that trip enough times."

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His tenacity didn't go unnoticed, either, although his mission turned out to be impossible. "On quite a few occasions, I remember looking up in the stands and spotting Coach Gruden, especially my senior year," recalls Ferguson. "I always thought he was a good guy and he is one of the reasons I strongly considered Indiana. But I decided on Notre Dame."

But two years later, after Ferguson had an outstanding sophomore year that was capped by his being named the 1978 Cotton Bowl Most Valuable Player, guess who became his backfield coach at Notre Dame? You guessed it—Jim Gruden.

"I didn't know what to think," laughs Ferguson, one of the Irish tri-captains this fall. "I hoped he wasn't going to be mad at me for not going to Indiana."

Actually, Gruden was tickled to get the chance to finally coach Vagas who had already rushed for 843 yards in his first two years despite some nagging injuries.

"After all that recruiting, I at least thought I knew what Vagas could do," said Gruden of last year's new coaching assignment. "And it certainly was nice to inherit a backfield with a Vagas Ferguson and Jerome Heavens in it."

Heavens, the fullback who graduated last spring, responded with a 728-yard senior season to become Notre Dame's all-time leading rusher with 2,682 yards. And behind Heavens' blocking, Ferguson set an Irish season mark by rushing for 1,192 yards.

Twice, he topped 200 yards in a game and no Notre Dame runner—not the Gipper, not one of the Four Horsemen, not the Golden Boy, nobody—had broken that barrier before. His 219 yards against Navy set a Notre Dame record and his 255 at Georgia Tech later in the season was even more impressive.

And whose record did he beat? The guy who was leading the way for him through the opposition—Heavens himself who had gained exactly 200 yards against Army the previous season.

Even with Ferguson on the bench, his backfield buddy was still helping him, too. "When injuries cut our depth in the backfield, Jerome would alternate with me at halfback with (Pete) Buchanan or (Pete) Pallas taking over for him at fullback. It kept me fresh and I think the rest I got is one of the

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This action came in last year's Michigan State-Notre Dame contest.

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reasons that I didn't have as many injuries."

Heavens is gone this fall but Ferguson has Jim Stone, a talented junior, to back him up and also 12 more pounds of padding for a 205-pound total. "I hit the weights pretty hard last winter and I feel stronger. Hopefully, the extra weight won't hurt my speed."

Then he adds with a smile, "With the schedule we play this year, I don't think I'm going to get much of a chance for breakaway runs anyway."

This season begins with Michigan, Purdue and Michigan State—the top three teams in the Big Ten last year—and Ferguson and his Irish teammates found out quickly last year what a sluggish start can do when playing teams of that caliber. After winning the national championship the previous year, the Irish started their 1978 campaign with losses to Missouri (3-0) and Michigan (28-14) before just surviving the Boilermakers (16-6) and the Spartans (29-25).

The Irish did salvage another respectable season—a 9-3 record including a last-second Cotton Bowl victory over Houston—but Vagas won't forget that two-loss start—Notre Dame's first since 1963. "I

think a lot of that was lack of concentration. It seemed like we were just going through the motions in the Missouri game. I don't think I was mentally ready.

"As a captain, I'm going to stress that we have to get a good start," Ferguson continued. "We've got to be fired up if we are going to be in contention for the national championship."

As an independent, the Irish schedule always seems to come under the scrutiny of many football buffs. But this year, it will take more than the luck of the Irish to survive their 11-game journey—one of the toughest slates in the country.

Besides the top three teams in the Big

While tight end may not have a star of the stature of recent Irish players Dave Casper or Ken MacAfee, the position may be the deepest on the team with five letter winners back.

Ten, Devine's squad—his fifth under the Golden Dome—must face United Press International's National Champion, Southern Cal, along with Gator Bowl victor Clemson and two other 1978 minor bowl participants—Georgia Tech in the Peach Bowl and Navy in the Holiday Bowl.

But Gruden is confident that his prized pupil—if not his prized recruit—will have another season that will rival last year's—the best ever by a Notre Dame back in yards traveled.

"Vagas has all the tools and with some added weight and strength, I think he can even be tougher," said his backfield coach. "He's a smart runner who can read his blocking and he is not afraid to put his shoulder down for extra yardage."

But Vagas knows who keeps him on the right, if not always straight, course. "You can't do anything without the blockers and we definitely have some good ones coming back."

Returning are three 6-5, 260-pound-plus regulars who have the dispositions of teddy bears off the field and the instincts of grizzlies on. Tim Foley and Rob Martinovich return at tackles, while Tim Huffman, a junior, is back at guard.

"With our size and ability and the way we come off the ball together, we should win up front everytime," said Foley last year after clearing the way for Ferguson's 219 yards against Navy.

Senior Ted Horansky, a starter much of the 1977 season, should return at guard after an ankle injury sidelined him last year before the second game. Converted guard John Scully seems to have the best shot at center, vacated by All-American Dave Huffman.

Sophomore Pete Buchanan, who logged the most minutes of any Irish freshman last year, and senior David Mitchell, hampered by injuries much of his career, should both see action at fullback.

While tight end may not have a star of the stature of recent Irish players Dave Casper or Ken MacAfee, the position may be the deepest on the team with five letter winners back. Sophomore Dean Masztak, who caught 13 passes as a freshman, heads the list of senior Kevin Hart—Heisman Trophy winner Leon's son—and juniors Mark Czaja, Nick Vehr and Marty Detmer. Czaja, an excellent blocker, sat out last season with a wrist injury.

The wide-outs seem respectable as well with junior Pete Holohan—on the receiving end of 20 passes last fall—the incumbent at flanker and junior Dave Condeni, who caught five passes against Navy last year, the heir apparent at split end.

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Someone has to throw them the ball, however, and the main question mark on offense is who will take over the quarterback duties now that Notre Dame's Comeback Kid, Joe Montana, has graduated? Although he never played a down last year, Rusty Lisch—on a five-year architecture program—has had four starting assignments during his Irish career and would have to be a leading candidate.

However, three juniors—Tim Koegel, Greg Knafelc and Mike Courey—should challenge. Koegel, who saw the most action as a reserve quarterback last year, has an excellent arm and threw for 46 touchdowns in high school at Cincinnati Moeller.

If the baseball adage, "You have to be strong up the middle," applies to football, the Irish have some big holes to fill to be respectable on defense. Gone are tackles Jeff Weston and Mike Calhoun, All-American middle linebacker Bob Golic and safeties Joe Restic and Jim Browner in addition to outside linebacker Steve Heimkreiter.

But if two defensive ends live up to their potential, the tackle spots should be more than adequately filled as well. Scott Zettek, a promising end who missed all but the Michigan game because of a knee injury in 1978, and sophomore Joe Gramke, who came on strong at season's end, could be an awesome pair of bookends.

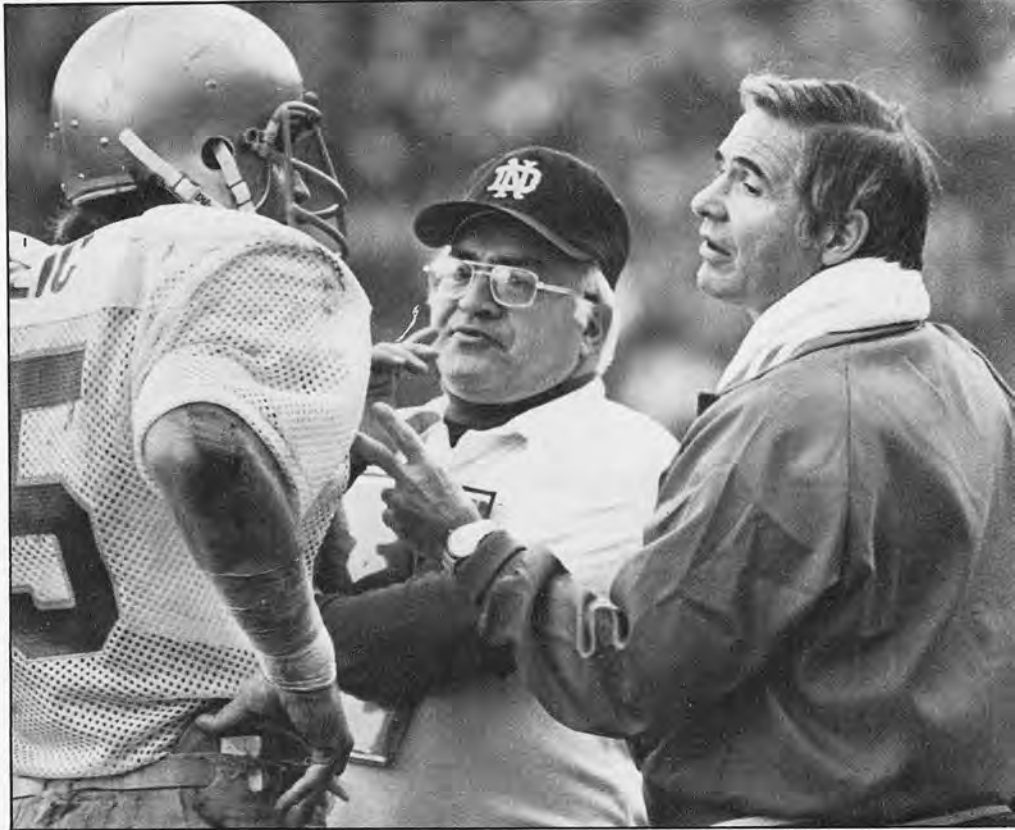
A healthy Zettek and an ever-improving Gramke could then allow last year's starters at end—Jay Case and John Hankerd—to move inside to the tackle spots with Hardy Rayam also challenging. Hankerd has also played linebacker.

Senior Bobby Leopold, who has already returned three interceptions for touchdowns during his college career, and senior Mike Whittington, owner of 18 tackles against Purdue, shared the right-side linebacker spot last year. They should both be in the starting lineup, although the swift Leopold may be tried at safety. Sophomore linebacker Bob Crable, Ohio's prep player-of-the-year two seasons ago, will also be difficult to keep out of the starting lineup.

The cornerback positions appear solid with the return of senior Dave Waymer, another tri-captain, and junior Tom Gibbons. They combined for six interceptions and knocked down 16 other enemy passes last season.

If Gibbons is moved to safety—he saw backup action there as a freshman—junior Dick Boushka or sophomore John Krimm would fill in on the corner. Sophomore Steve Cichy and junior Angelo Fasano appear to head the list at the safety spots where the Irish lost plenty of

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(Top) Coach Dan Devine gives some sideline advice to All-American middle linebacker Bob Golic during the USC game. (Bottom) Sophomore Pete Buchanan should see action at fullback.





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But the Irish don't want to wait to the last second to get things going this fall. "We're out for a fast start," said Ferguson, "and that's a luxury we haven't had in the past."

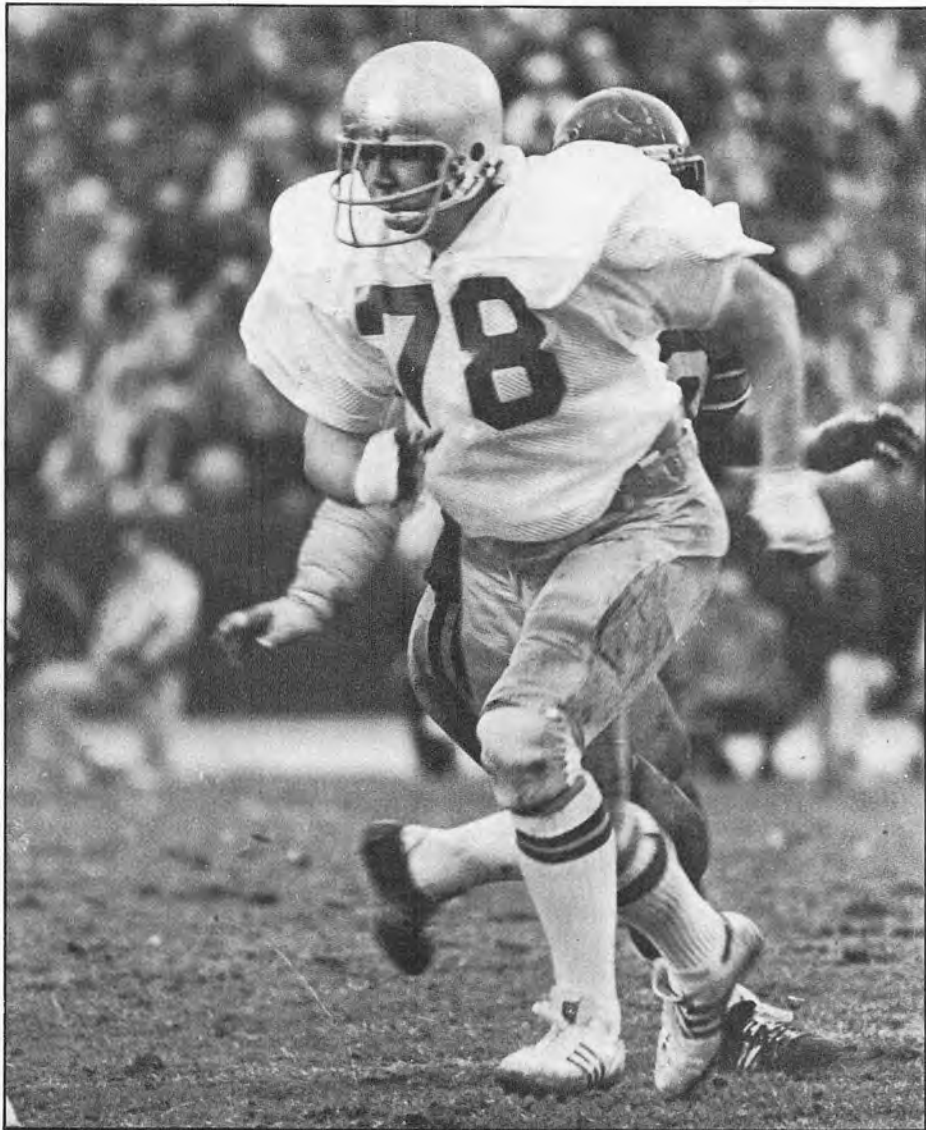
talent in Browner and Restic (both three-year starters) and Randy Harrison (a two-year regular).

Either sophomore linebacker Tony Belden or Boushka should inherit Restic's punting chores while Notre Dame returns two proven placekickers—seniors Chuck Male and Joe Unis. Male, a deep threat on kickoffs, was nine of 12 on field goal tries including a 47-yarder. Unis matched that distance in a clutch performance against Southern Cal after Male was injured. He also supplied the winning point in the Cotton Bowl with no time on the clock.

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And a luxury that won't come easy at a starting line called Ann Arbor. **END**

(Opposite) Randy Harrison sets sail. (Upper left) Young quarterback Tim Koegel calls signals in last year's Cotton Bowl while (upper right) Vagas Ferguson flies down the sideline. (Right) Tim Huffman returns to intimidate in the Irish line.



Nobody Ever Said — Chuck Fairbanks Got a Gold Mine The Big Payoff



Two young coaches that are headed toward the top are Tennessee's Johnny Majors (left) and Steve Sloan of Ole Miss (right).

by Woody Paige

Let's see here. According to the final reports, Chuck Fairbanks received, to coach the University of Colorado football team:

(a) A salary equalling that of the President of the United States.

(b) His own 18-hole golf course designed by Jack Nicklaus.

(c) A weekly television show paying him more than Johnny Carson.

(d) A string of Vickers no-limit gas stations.

(e) A 747 flown by Continental Airlines.

(f) Homes in Boulder, Acapulco and the French Riviera.

(g) The deed to Aspen, Colorado.

That's according to reports. Fairbanks should clear, oh, four million dollars a year. Tax free. An oil shiek should be so rich.

That's an awful lot for a college football coach.

That's also an awful lot of, in this case, buffalo.

Fairbanks got none of the above. But to hear some people tell it, when Chuck Fairbanks left the security of a coaching-general manager's position with the New England Patriots to take over the Colorado Buffaloes, he got everything, including a gold-plated kitchen sink.

To Bostonians, the Colorado larceny was worse than the Lindbergh kidnapping. And even though the episode has been over for several months and Fair-

banks' initial season at Colorado is about to begin, the swirling dervish of conversation has not ended.

Initially, a few facts: Fairbanks will be getting at CU income comparable to five or six other college coaches in America. Don't kid yourself. College football is big business, and big business pays big salaries to big executives. Ford Motor Company or Gulf & Western would scoff at Fairbanks' salary. They have assistants to assistant vice presidents making more.

Jack Vickers—of Vickers Oil—was considered one of the real culprits in the Fairbanks predicament. Vickers is a millionaire several times over, a lover of athletics and one of the key supporters of the Colorado football team as president of the Flatirons Club, which has set up an endowment fund for the school's athletic department. Vickers made the offer to Fairbanks after the New England coach said he wanted out of New England.

How, pray tell, did Vickers know what to offer?

"I know what the top college coaches make, and that's what I offered Chuck. The reason I know is, Vickers Oil once had the NCAA highlight film show (which is telecast on Sundays around most of the country.) Through the show, I got to know a number of the college coaches because, as a public relations angle,

we would take them on a golfing outing once a year. And I asked them what they made. Some graciously told me, and I would say that Chuck Fairbanks is right in there."

Right in there would be a \$50,000 salary paid by the university. And, says Vickers, there are a number of other benefits coaches are handed. "Let's take one of the top guys. A \$50,000 salary. Another \$50,000 for a TV and radio show. A \$5,000 expense allowance a year. And speeches and clinics and seminars in which he is guaranteed another \$50,000. Add onto that two cars, a housing allowance, free doctor and dental care and other assorted things, and the coach is well over the \$200,000 mark.

"Everyone hollered about Fairbanks' income, but it's not that unusual."

These are not the ramblings of an old illiterate. A current professional basketball coach said he gave up an incredible job at a Southwest Conference school because he hated recruiting. His reward at the time, according to the coach, included only a \$35,000 base salary. "That's what people thought I was making. But they gave me a car, one for my wife, another for my son. I had my house note taken care of, and I never paid a doctor or dentist bill. I had an expense account I could use for anything I wanted, and I did a radio show three times a week for twenty-five thousand. Plus, the alums would make sure I got TVs or clothes or whatever else I wanted."

The point is that anyone who believes college football coaches are making the same kind of money as, say, a journalism professor is badly mistaken and has had his head buried in the sand too long.

But the Fairbanks case does point out what's happened in college athletics.

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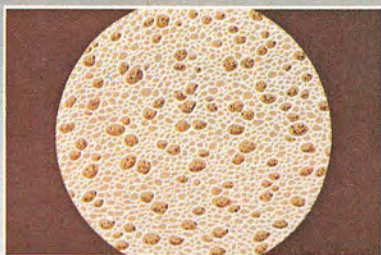
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Nobody Ever Died for Dear Old Siwash

by Susan LaMar Wade

In an era when college football too often seems a life-or-death struggle waged by outsized gladiators in colossal stadiums jammed with wild-eyed fans, it's refreshing to happen on those institutions, big and small, that still play the game for the fun of it. After all, there's more than one way to give it the old college try.

Way back in 1873 Cornell's legendary President Andrew D. White blitzed the notion of intercollegiate football by rejecting a challenge from the University of Michigan to a game in Cleveland. White fired off a telegram: "I will not permit thirty men to travel four hundred miles merely to agitate a bag of wind."

Nowadays some academic institutions rather haughtily regard football as frivolous, but many more recognize it as the greatest thing going. As Alabama's Paul (Bear) Bryant once opined, "It's hard to rally around a math class."

The Oklahomas, Ohio States, Southern Californias, and Notre Dames see the gridiron game as making for big revenue and national prestige. But the more modest, less assertive football programs usually are overlooked — those of America's legion of small colleges. Athletic Director John Mutchner of Rose-Hulman Institute, a rigorously academic engineering college on the hilly outskirts of Terre Haute, Ind., puts the matter forthrightly: "A lot of coaches espouse the traditional values. But nowhere are they truer than at the small colleges. It's not a business here."

Obviously, the relationship of football to academics is the major distinguishing factor between small undergraduate programs and their "football factory" counterparts. "There are no athletic scholarships at the University of Chicago," said Athletic Director Harold R. (Jeff) Metcalf of the one-time Big Ten and national powerhouse. "It's strictly voluntary. There's no personal gain—in fact, the players probably sacrifice something. We eschew the 'big time.' A football player at Chicago has more of a chance of becoming a Nobel laureate than of being drafted by the NFL." While the larger schools are expanding their stadiums each year and trying to lure record crowds, Chicago is different, according to Metcalf: "To show you what our emphasis on football is, in 1968 we tore down the 55,000-seat Stagg Field Stadium and built the world's largest academic research library."

For many small colleges, recruiting and post-season play are forbidden by their conferences. "We belong to NESCAC,

New England Small College Athletic Conference," explained Williams College Sports Information Director Ray Boyer. "No post-season activity for us. It conflicts with studies. Students are here to go to school." For that reason, players who must miss practices for classes or labs are excused. At Chicago it's the same. "It's very rare when the whole team is together at any one time during the week," observed Metcalf, adding that the Maroon practice only one and a half hours each day. At Williams, workouts don't start until 4:30 in the afternoon, Coach Bob O'Dell said, because "most labs are over by then."



Bear Bryant's famous observation is that it's difficult to rally around a math class.

The Reverend Ray Montgomery of Speedway, Indiana, named to *Sports Illustrated's* Silver Anniversary Team in 1963 for his gridiron exploits at DePauw and his exemplary career afterwards, said that in his day the coaches used to expect players to hit the school books as hard as the opponents. "Our coach, Gaummy Neal, would not insist that we cut labs. There was an absence of real pressure," remembered Montgomery, who later while in seminary coached freshmen at Yale, as did former President Gerald Ford. "On the road trips there was a lot of studying on the buses."

Clearly, the Three R's don't stand for "Rah! Rah! Rah!" at these institutions, for football is considered a healthy release from studies and a vigorous way to broaden a student's education. Chicago—renowned in football for such towering figures as the great Amos Alonzo Stagg and Jay Berwanger, the first Heisman Trophy winner in 1935—was once a national contender but is now merely a member of the NCAA Division III.

"In 1939 the football program was dropped. There was a thing going on at the time known as World War II," Metcalf recalled drolly. "The press really gave it

big play. The news of Chicago dropping its football program received about as much attention as the sinking of the *Graf Spee* in Montevideo Harbor." But the real irony of the Maroon story deals with the return of football. "In January of 1969, the University of Chicago endured a three-week student occupation of the administration building. Matters on campus were tense. It was just an unpleasant time." In the midst of all the confusion and anti-establishment furor, Metcalf ran across a group of students who were seeking signatures for a petition. "I thought it was a petition to get in a new group of administrators, but it turned out to be a group of students demanding we restore football to intercollegiate varsity status."

That wasn't the first time college students had rebelled over football. Heidelberg—the Ohio not the German institution—had an uprising in the mid-1890's. The Board of Regents banned football in 1893 because of its roughness. But the restless students didn't want to return to playing marbles and "two old cat" and riding high-wheeled bicycles. With the everybody-else-does-it logic, they persuaded the board members to reinstate football, and in 1895 the Student Princes were back on the field.

Though small colleges aren't vying for a trip to a major bowl game or NCAA Division I supremacy, they do try to be competitive. "We're trying to bring football to the level that the kids who play it and the people who watch it can do so with pride," said Pomona College's recently retired Athletic Director Ed Malan. Williams' Coach O'Dell feels much the same way about his Ephmen: "Along with Amherst and Wesleyan, we're the Little Three...not the Little Sisters of the Poor." And winning's still the object to Franklin (Indiana) College Coach Stewart (Red) Faught, who encourages his Grizzlies to "go reckless, stay loose, enjoy football." The motto does not lessen his desire to win. "That winning—hey, that's important," drawled the folksy Faught, Andy Griffith fashion. "Anytime they stop keeping score I want out."

Whether it's 77,000 wedged in the Cotton Bowl to witness a Texas-Oklahoma battle royal or a few hundred scattered throughout Dill Stadium to watch the Oberlin Yeomen against, say, the Hiram Terriers, school spirit is vital. Why, what's a football team—big school or tiny—without a nickname and a mascot? New York University is proud of its Violets, Amherst of its Lord Jeffs, Loras of its DuHawks, Treasure Valley of its Chukars,

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BRADLEY'S

Phil Bradley lives in worlds where success is measured in numbers. Last fall they were 1,780 passing, 301 rushing. In the spring they changed to .337, five triples, four home runs, five stolen bases.

When the Tigers pitched camp last March, Bradley was among the missing. He could be found across campus on the Missouri baseball diamond, playing right field and enjoying himself for the first time all year.

And no matter how much football, Coach Warren Powers hates it, his spring baseball numbers are the ones his versatile and gifted quarterback finds most alluring.

A quarterback who draws mention as a possible Heisman Trophy candidate after a sensational sophomore year would seem likely to rush headlong into spring practice with brand new enthusiasm. When the Tigers pitched camp last March, Bradley was among the missing. He could be found across campus on the Missouri baseball diamond, playing right field and enjoying himself for the first time all year.

In fact, the Big Eight's total offense leader knows exactly what he will do should the lengthening sports seasons ever lap each other and the World Series and Super Bowl be televised on the same day.

"I'll tune in the World Series," said the 6-0, 190-pound native of Macomb, Illinois. "Without a doubt—I don't think I would switch over to the Super Bowl even during the commercials."

An athlete gifted enough to lead the Big Eight in total offense is rare enough. One who does it and would rather be doing something else is rare indeed. More than 5,000 showed up to watch Missouri's intra-squad spring game, but not Bradley.

"We had a big double-header with Nebraska that day," he explained. Bradley played flawlessly in right field that afternoon and delivered several key hits as the Tigers swept both games. Meanwhile, back at the stadium, the football players stumbled around and scored only one touchdown. Eyebrows were raised.

"When Bradley gets back," said nose guard Norman Goodman in reassuring tones, "that offense will be just crisp. He makes the offense click."

He did last year. A quick, darting scrambler with speed to break the long touchdown run, he also owns a feathery, accurate forward pass. His 60.2 per cent completion rate last year set a school record. But when Powers bolted Washington State to take charge of the Missouri program one season ago, he never dreamed he was inheriting a quarterback of Bradley's dimension.

And the 8-4 record Powers' squad turned in last year, including a rousing upset at Nebraska and a victory over LSU in the Liberty Bowl, was more the work of Bradley's emergence from the dog house to stardom than anything else. He was a nervous, inexperienced freshman the year before when senior Pete Woods went out early with a knee injury. Fans and some members of the news media pounced on the slender freshman and left scar tissue on his attitude. A loner by nature, he withdrew and rekindled a love of baseball.

Head Coach Al Onofrio, who gave him a written promise that he could play spring baseball when he signed him to a football letter of intent, kept busy apologizing for his quarterback's muffed exchanges and fumbled pitch-outs. "They weren't all his fault," Onofrio said after Southern Cal beat the Tigers, 27-10, in the 1977 season opener. But few listened, and few were listening when Trojan Coach John Robinson compared Bradley that day with Ohio State's Cornelius Green.

"He has the same kind of quickness," said Robinson. "He has a good career ahead of him."

Robinson obviously knows talent. Bradley's game average last year of 189 yards total offense ranked seventeenth in the nation. But the sometimes vicious criticism of his freshman folly had barely fallen silent when he

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(Top) The Liberty Bowl victory was the climax of the 1978 season, while (bottom) guards Mark Jones (64) and Stanley Lechner (69) congratulate Kellen Winslow.

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created more rumbling with his decision to pass up spring practice.

The fact that all three of his top receivers last year, Kellen Winslow, Leo Lewis and Lamont Downer, are being replaced added to the speculation the Tigers would suffer for Bradley's absence. He needs the spring practice, insisted many, to get familiar with a whole new receiving corps.

Powers could do nothing but shrug and say it would be a good opportunity to develop some much-needed quarterback depth. Bradley says missing spring practice did not tarnish Missouri's chances for a "super season."

"Sure, if I don't have a good year they're going to point back to the fact I played baseball," he said. "If I do have a good football season, they'll probably forget the whole thing." He admits his timing will grow rusty by September.

"But it would have been anyway," he said. "You're going to lose a lot of what you get between April and August. I may have to be a little more patient with myself getting together with the receivers, that's all—learning how they run their routes and learning their individual differences. But it will come. We're going to have some good players back there, and it won't make much difference. I'm looking to get off to a good, quick start next fall."

Winslow, a first-round draft choice by San Diego, Downer and Lewis caught almost 70 per cent of Bradley's passes last year. Running back David Newman looked promising at flanker during the spring, but coaches were especially impressed with mercury-cleated sophomore Stevie Sly. A Missouri high school sprint champion, Sly caught one pass last year and turned it into a 70-yard touchdown play against Illinois.

"He has come a long way as a man and a football player," said Powers. "He wants to be good, and he's starting to realize how hard he is going to have to work to do it."

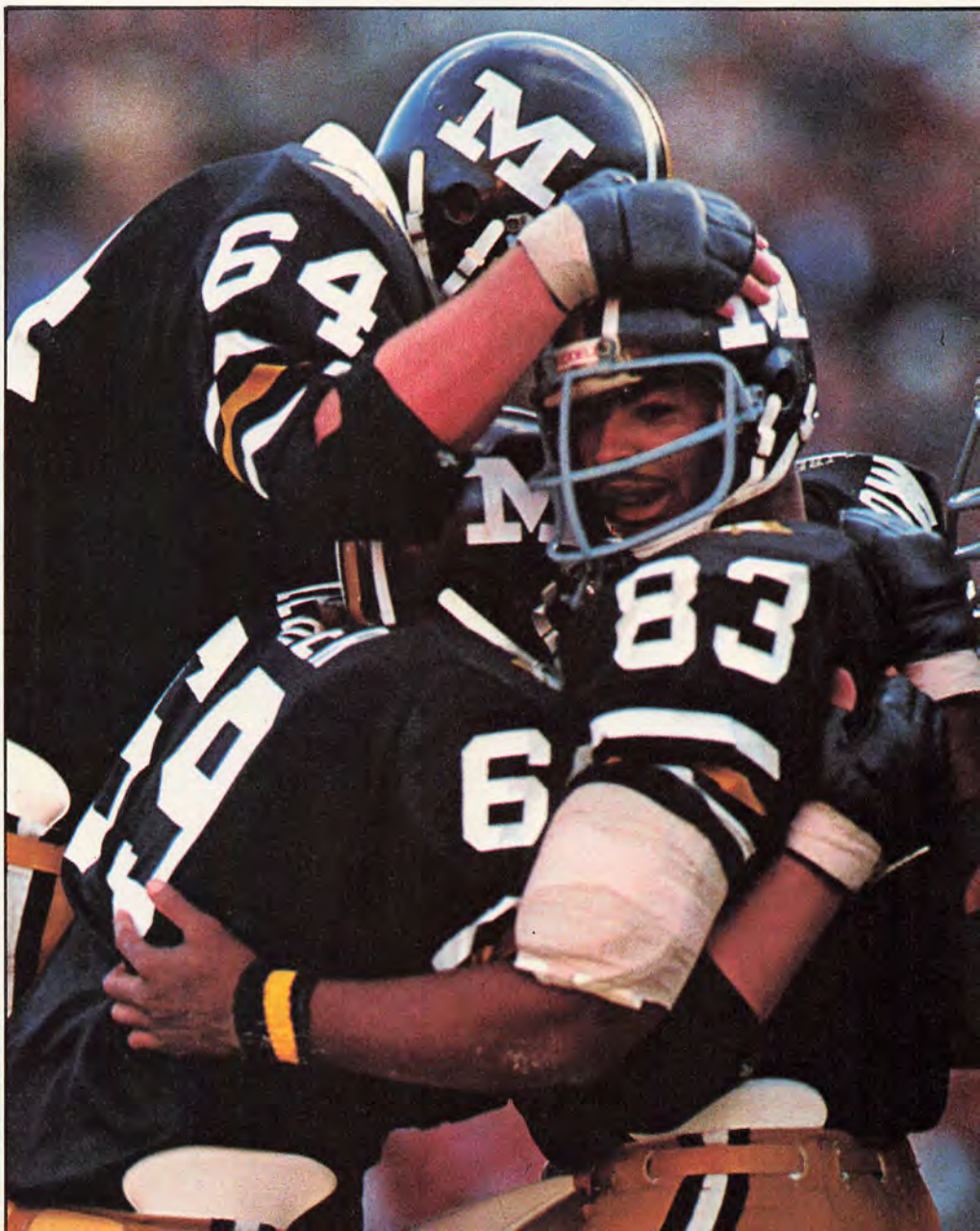
The Tigers will lack speed at running back, but rugged James Wilder, 6-2, 215, who erupted for four touchdowns against Nebraska and finished with 873 rushing yards, his sophomore season, may blossom into one of the nation's best. Plus, Wilder and the other running back candidates, Bob Meyer, Terry Hill and James Scott will be operating behind the best line in the Big Eight.

"We've got a good offensive line," Powers says without hesitation. The only starter not returning is all-conference center Pete Allard. Back are tackles Howard Richards, 6-5, 252, and David Guender, 6-3, 245, and guards Stan Lechner, 6-3, 230, and Mark Jones, 6-2, 235.

"They're a very close-knit group," said Powers. "They've played together for a couple of years now and they're really

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Fullback James Wilder rushed for 873 yards in 1978.





(Left and below) Super soph Phil Bradley led the Big Eight in total offense last season.



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great to coach because they know what you want."

"We've got a great offensive line," asserted Goodman. "They won't let Phil get hurt." Middle guard Goodman, a 6-3, 225, part-time starter last year, was the spring "find" and made Powers feel much better about his entire defense.

"Norman was all over the field," commented one coach after the spring game. "He shadowed the quarterbacks when they tried to pass."

The defense has four starters back and lettermen at every position except strong safety, where Kevin Potter, 6-0, 190, stepped in and was voted the Outstanding Defensive Player in the spring game.

"I felt all along we had come a long way on defense," said Powers. "We've got a good football team," added the second-

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year head coach. "We're going to be competitive, and we're going to have to be reckoned with. We're going to have a lot of improvement."

In the Big Eight race, Powers is so bold as to say, "I think we've got as good a chance, if not better, than anyone else. I want the players to think that."

Bradley does, and he wasn't even at spring practice.

"Powers came in here and says he wants to go to bowl games, win conference titles and win national championships," said the quarterback-outfielder. "Well, he's one leg up on his goal and that was to go to a bowl game. He's instilled a new atmosphere around here. The winning attitude has come back into the program."

And when the season forces him, Bradley will come back to the football team.

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(Top right) Tight end Kellen Winslow will be sorely missed in '79, but James Wilder (bottom right) may be among the nation's best.



COLORED

It was spring in Boulder, Colorado. The rough rock flatirons to the west that loom over the campus had shed their snow; the aspen and girls in town had bloomed; there were almost as many frisbees flying as there were vagrant dogs cavorting; and Stan Brock, a senior offensive tackle for the University of Colorado football team, had just pulled up to his parking spot at the training table. And at 6-7, 275 pounds, he would be awhile.

"We may not be where we have to be to win the Big Eight," said Brock, "but we'll go down trying."

There was some confusion at the entrance of the room. Heads turned. And in walked Chuck Fairbanks, former coach of the National Football League New England Patriots and/or future coach of Colorado, depending on what side of the courtroom you were standing on this particular day.

Later, remembering the moment, Brock said, "It seemed like it was just to kind of let us know he was really around. It was almost like God; you know he's there, but you never see him."

So went CU's winter and spring of discontinuity.

Before December 18, 1978, the day Fairbanks told the Patriots he was through and the night team owner Charles Sullivan informed the country on a Monday Night Football pre-game show that the fight had just started, the only thing Fairbanks and Colorado had in common were six football games played between CU and the University of Oklahoma while he was head coach of the Sooners from 1967-72. And Fairbanks won four of them. Now, suddenly, Buffaloes like Brock had Orange Bowls dancing in their heads.

It was awhile, of course, before Fairbanks unraveled all his problems with the Patriots and arrived in proper fashion in Boulder. He showed up just before the start of spring practice, the duties of head coach falling to Assistant Head Coach Doug Dickey, lately of Florida, before that. And it will probably still be awhile before Fairbanks delivers Colorado to Miami on New Year's Day.

"We may not be where we have to be to win the Big Eight," said Brock, "but we'll go down trying. See, we don't know the coaches any better than they know us at this point. It takes awhile to get used to. You get to know a coach and a coaching staff, and what they want and what they expect.

"But I'd really like to see us do well because, god, no one expects us to because of this coaching change and all. But I think we're going to surprise some people because the attitude is really, really good. You'd think with the situation the attitude would drop, but the attitude's high."

Brock, for one, shouldn't be hard for Fairbanks to get to know.

At age 21 he is overalls and a Garcia fishing cap; son of a Portland riverboat fireman; married; business major; early-morning duck hunter. If Stan were from Oklahoma or Texas he would be a "good ol' boy." He is also one of only two fourth-year starters left from Colorado's last Orange Bowl team in 1976, and he is the last of three brothers to play for the Buffs. The oldest, Pete, an All-American in 1975, has been in the NFL since, playing for Chuck Fairbanks and the New England Patriots.

Fairbanks was criticized and praised by the Patriots' players (both publicly) when he left New England holding a contract with four years remaining on it. The Brock brothers are all close and Pete and Stan were on the phone almost immediately.

"Pete was really excited for us," Stan said. "He said there was no way we could get anybody better. He's a Fairbanks' fan.

"He started to tell me all about how he (Fairbanks) was in New England, but then he stopped because he said it would be impossible for Coach Fairbanks to come here and do the same things, like how he was with players. I mean, they're pros and we're still in college. He has to treat us a little different. But he said he was a great man, that he had the time to sit down and talk with you."

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Willie Beebe sprints for daylight!



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Brock and the rest of the CU players have gone through a lot since the disappointing end of the last season, a 6-5 season overall but all five losses coming in Big Eight play, so that the Buffs were left in seventh place (the worst since 1973) and Coach Bill Mallory was left without a job.

Then the circus started.

Every certified college football coaching hero from Bud Wilkinson to Terry Donahue was made a candidate for the job in Boulder. It probably wasn't coincidence that the two most serious prospects—Tom Osborne of Nebraska, who came within one team meeting with his players in Lincoln of accepting a CU offer, and Fairbanks, almost as big an Oklahoma idol as Wilkinson, were from the two schools Colorado couldn't seem to beat. The Buffs haven't beaten the Cornhuskers

goals to symbolize victories and half-victories scored by Fairbanks and Sullivan in the courts; Dickey was hired to head a blue-ribbon staff "just in case"; the NCAA announced it was investigating the whole episode; and the Patriots claimed that a team playbook had quite mysteriously surfaced in Boulder.

Plus, the players were still deciding whether they were happy or sad with Mallory gone when Dickey and the other new people arrived.

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"Emotionally, I guess I was kind of hurt when I found out Coach Belu (offensive co-ordinator George Belu) wasn't going to be here, because I'd been with him for three years," said Brock. "He used to go duck hunting with some of us in the morning sometimes. But that's just the way it was going to have to be. Things already were a lot different. Coach Mallory had his style and Coach Dickey, who was the acting head coach, had his style."

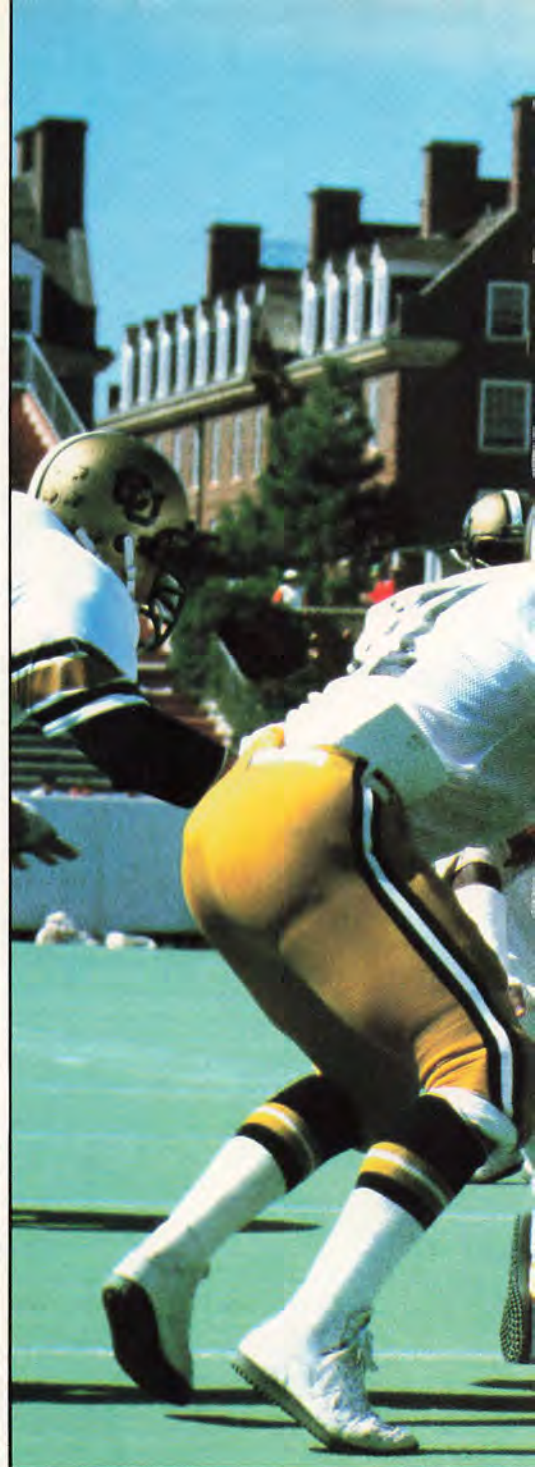
The first experimental blond hairs on Brock's chin, never allowed under Mallory, may have been clues that things were okay.

"Some of the dorm rules have been changed, they're a little less strict," Brock went on. "Some of the training rules make it a little better for us. As far as academics go, they're (the Fairbanks staff) really sticklers for grades, so that's going to make it tougher. We have to sign in now at the end of each week if we go to class or not. That's tough when you know you're going to have to admit you didn't go to class."

As for changes in the football Colorado plays, there will definitely be some. Before spring practice started, said Brock, "I didn't even know what kind of offense or defense we were going to run."

"At this point, the only thing that's going to slow me down is the new offense, and maybe the language they use for calls and stuff. I'm not too personal goals-oriented. I'd rather have the team do well. Of course, I'd like to have a really good season this year. I didn't have a really good season last year. I think I expected things to come easier than they did."

"I let myself down. As far as any goals, I wanted to be at least honorable mention Big Eight, to be known. But I let myself



Bill Solomon picks up yardage against Iowa State.

in 17 years, and they've only taken the Sooners twice in the last 10 tries.

But when Fairbanks' name came up, it was too much. "I still thought somebody was pulling our leg," said Brock.

Then began a series of events that could stock a TV soap opera for years. Fairbanks and Sullivan faced off with lawyers as seconds; it was reported (inaccurately) that CU super booster Jack Vickers had lured the Patriots' coach to Boulder with the promise of an obscene amount of money and a piece of a new golf course to be built by Jack Nicklaus; fans started using touchdowns and field

down. I let Coach Belu down. Coach Mallory used to call it 'leveling off,' and I've felt like since my sophomore year I've just kind of leveled off. I just didn't do as well as I should have, I guess."

The same could be said—and has been—for most of the rest of the CU team in 1978. And most players didn't have a badly sprained ankle for an excuse, although Brock refused to use it as one.

Brock injured the ankle in the opening game against Oregon and nursed it through the Buffs' first four contests. The big tackle hasn't missed a game since his first start midway through his freshman



The Oklahoma State Cowboys mix it up with the Buffs at Boulder last fall.

season. Colorado was 4-0, but the victories were over the Ducks, Miami-Florida, San Jose State and Northwestern and people were suspicious. CU made it safely (17-7) through the Big Eight opener against Kansas, but still—all five games up to that point were played in Boulder. The rookie started making tired sounds the next week when the Buffs took their first road trip and lost to winless Oklahoma State. And then it caved in a week later with the 17th consecutive loss to Nebraska, 52-14.

It looked like Mallory might save himself with a 28-27 upset at Missouri on TV. But

then came a 28-7 defeat in Boulder against Oklahoma; rumors that the head coaching job was on the line against Kansas State; and near-official admission that it definitely was in the final game against Iowa State. And Colorado lost both games.

"The coaches never put any blame on anyone. Never. They never did for any game," Brock said, making his point important to him. "That was something I really admired Coach Mallory and his staff for: No matter what went wrong it was their fault. As far as the people were concerned, the fans and some of the press,

they thought it was the offensive line's fault because we were inconsistent, which was true. But the type of game we were playing last year was a control game, it seemed like it always was. We'd drive the ball up the middle and in the Big Eight all the defenses are good.

"I really can't blame it on anyone because one play I wouldn't get my job done and the next play I'd get my job done, but somebody else wouldn't do theirs.

"If things went right—like the Kansas game, we had a 99-yard drive. I didn't hear any complaining after that. They just didn't go right all the time."

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Orange Bowl Bound SOONERS AGAIN!

by Jerry McCain

Some years it is Oklahoma and Nebraska in the Big Eight. Other years, it is Nebraska and Oklahoma.

This is going to be one of the "some years" because the Sooners are all set to finish ahead of the Cornhuskers with about one first down to spare.

The monopoly maintained by Oklahoma and Nebraska seems to have small effect on the enthusiasm in the Big Eight. In most any bar or barber shop you can get an argument: "Who says those so-and-so Sooners are so all-fired good?"

Or maybe it'll go like this: "It won't be long until Big Red is pale pink."

Athlon Publications, proven in the arena, as they say of linebackers, picks Oklahoma because the last time we heard from Billy

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Oklahoma, a crusty crowd in the combat zone, is cranking up for another Big Eight championship. Just as colorful cornerback Mike Babb broke up this Nebraska pass, so will the Sooners deny the Cornhuskers the satisfaction of New Year's in Miami. But, just like the pass play, the race will be close.



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Bizarre Affair

Fairbanks Returns to Big 8

by Dan Creedon

Rivals describe him in such impersonal terms as "cold," "calculating" and "aloof."

But they also hail Charles Leo (Chuck) Fairbanks, the University of Colorado's 19th head football coach, as perhaps the most organized man in the game. And his record, from his days as a 25-year-old defensive backfield coach on the first Arizona State staff assembled by Frank Kush, to the present, marks him as a winner.

Still, there's nothing in Fairbanks' record to predict the costly and bitter fight which accompanied his move from the NFL New England Patriots to Colorado and the Big Eight Conference, where he was a spectacular 52-15-1 as Oklahoma's head coach from 1967-72.

If there's any constancy in Fairbanks' career, it's success, more often than not, in the face of adversity.

He didn't have any background as a secondary coach when he went to Arizona State and had the job dumped on him at a staff meeting. But he learned—first on visits to Arkansas spring practices which were to bring him in contact with men who would later change the course of his life, men like the late Jim MacKenzie, who was to hire Fairbanks at Oklahoma a decade later.

At Oklahoma, Fairbanks, who was the first Sooner assistant to aggressively recruit the rich Houston area, leapfrogged over more experienced men like Homer Rice and Pat James to the head coach post after MacKenzie's untimely death.

And he survived bitter fan attacks in Norman, discovered the wishbone, switched to the "50" defense and helped build the Sooner dynasty we know today, before being hired from the OU campus by Pats' owner Billy Sullivan after earlier efforts to steal Joe Paterno of Penn State from the college game failed.

The New England Patriots, the old AFL Boston Patriots, were a joke of a franchise. Homeless, until they landed in Foxboro, Mass. After three rebuilding seasons, Fairbanks had the Pats in the Super Bowl tournament, perhaps only one bad call away from the championship the Oakland Raiders won in 1976. When Fairbanks opted for a return to the college game, only the Dallas and Pittsburgh organizations were held in more esteem.

"Except for Bud Wilkinson, I've never

seen a more organized coach than Fairbanks," says one long-time watcher of Big Eight football of the man who retains a definite Oklahoma accent in his soft manner of speech. "Nor a harder worker. The clock meant nothing to him."

Colorado went 133 days without a head coach, 105 days of the period with Fairbanks' status in limbo.

Before it ended early in the morning of April 2, 1979, the cost of the settlement was well over a half-million dollars, a good deal of it in legal fees, a university president had surrendered his job partly because of it, and there were hints of dirty tricks on both sides.

Anyway you cut it 1978 had been a lame duck year for then fifth-year Colorado Coach Bill Mallory, the man Fairbanks eventually replaced. Mallory's boss, Eddie Crowder, had asked to fire the Woody Hayes disciple a year earlier, after a turmoil-filled November in which the team's quarterback and top receiver, Jeff Knapple and Steve Gauntly, were dismissed from the team and the coach's ongoing feud with the media had reached dizzying heights.

But Crowder's boss, President Roland Rautenstrauss, a one-time football lineman who had known no other employer in his lifetime but the University of Colorado, nixed the idea of having Mallory's blood on his hands, at least at the conclusion of a 7-3-1 season, just a year after the coach had guided the team to its first Orange Bowl appearance in 15 years and a share of the Big Eight title.

The denial—coming even in the face of

Extremely successful as a professional coach, he longed for the collegiate social climate rather than the "business-like" pro scene.



the appealing prospect of Mallory's replacement—would have been the most respected coach ever to stroll the sidelines in the Midlands—Charles (Bud) Wilkinson.

At the time, Crowder was privy to knowledge few football people had: his old coach at Oklahoma longed for the football fight again. Interests of the athletic program at the U.S. Military Academy had approached Wilkinson even before the '77 season ended to see if he might be interested in the Army job Homer Smith was to hold for one more year. Wilkinson, in turn, chatted with his old quarterback over the service academy job, since Crowder had spent time at West Point as a young assistant during the heyday of Academy football.

Mallory's recruiting for Colorado, for whatever the reason—and he hinted strongly the resources to do the job weren't available—had not been Big Eight caliber. He hadn't kept up with the Oklahomas and Nebraskas, perhaps not with the Iowa States and Missouris. He won big in 1975 and 1976 primarily with material gathered by Crowder coaching staffs earlier in the decade.

Crowder's concern for the future of a Mallory-directed football program at a school where grid receipts pay practically the entire \$3.5 million budget was no secret. Crowder had blasted Mallory in what amounted to a public reprimand when the boiling controversy over a closed dressing room following losses spilled into a player demonstration in the coach's behalf following the '77 finale at home with Kansas State.

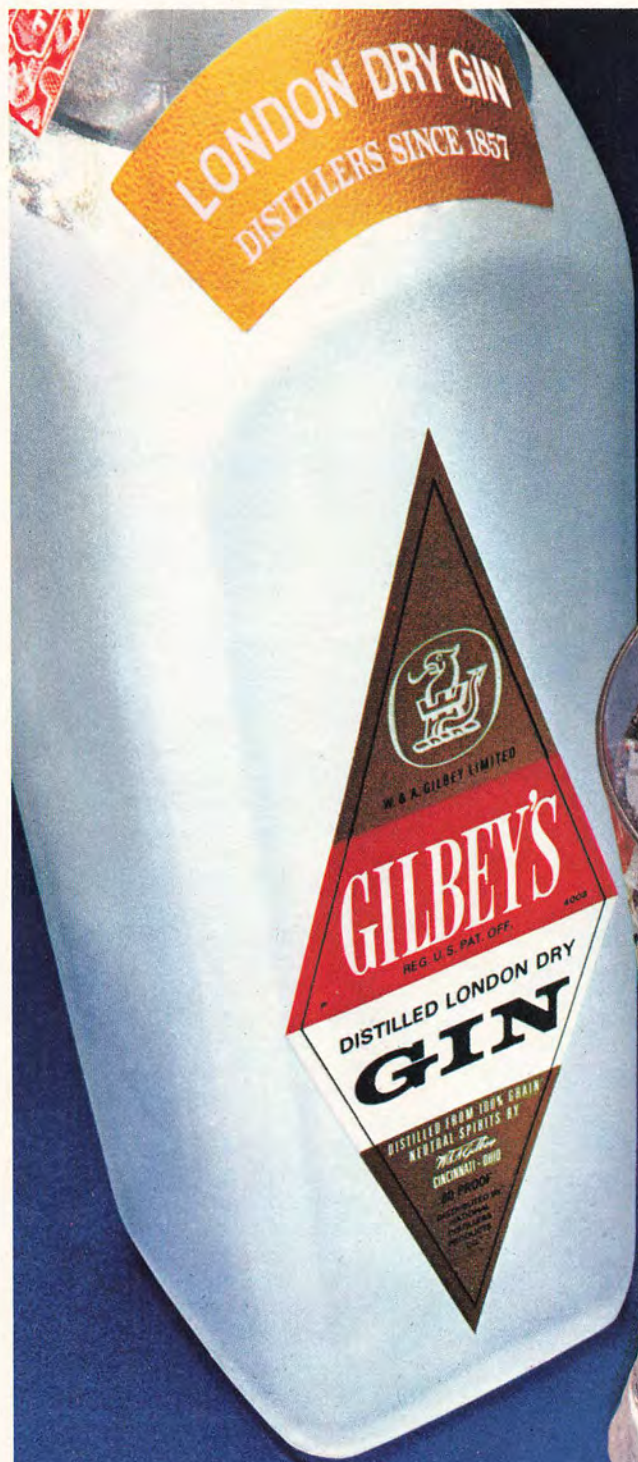
Mallory was a reformed man in terms of dealing with the public in 1978, but his football team struggled, once the Big Eight season began, beating only Kansas on the opening weekend and Missouri in a late October upset.

He was fired three days after the season ended, and Crowder candidly admitted, "We want a coach who can contend for the Big Eight championship every year and figure in the national championship picture consistently."

There was no mistaking the goals: the University of Colorado was going after a big name coach. Crowder already knew Wilkinson might still be interested, because of entanglements at the top of the St.

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Fairbanks got his legal problems worked out just in time for spring practice in Boulder.



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By Jerry McCain

*No need for a national playoff.
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Before the first, big, old tackle tramples the first, neat, little tailback, before pads start popping and people begin to whoop

and carry on, in the calmness of late summer, before our opinion is clouded by games and scores, we have a declaration:

Southern Cal is the one. This time there'll be no complaints about the call at the goal in the Rose Bowl. This time there may be a Saturday when

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(National Predictions continued)

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Now for a surprise . . . Tennessee. Johnny Majors worked a big miracle once at Pittsburgh and he's ready with a smaller miracle made up of Volunteers.

Missouri, a spirited group, will roar in seventh. Purdue plays darts with a football, will stick one in eighth place. Texas A&M leans more to might and muscle, a No. 9 combination. Arkansas is as close as possible, 10.

Do not despair. The grand old names from the annual polls are in the Top 20, as usual. Patience, please. You'll find the Fightin' Irish and mighty Michigan and the Nittany Lions and even Ohio State . . . if you forge on.

Athlon Publications proudly pick Washington as the 11th best team in our world. Arizona State will zoom up to 12th. We pick Pitt for 13, Florida State 14, Notre Dame 15. Some will grumble.

Greatness is getting a holiday invitation. Joe Paterno's phone will ring, even in an off-year, even when Penn State is 16th. Michigan leads Clemson and Ohio State.

Florida is 20A, Georgia Tech 20B. Ties can be beautiful. For new coach Charley Pell, cracking the Top 20 will be fine at Florida. Pepper Rodgers will consider the season a success if he finishes ahead of Georgia. Take Tech.

Athlon's All-Americans are such deserving young men. Consider the running backs . . . Billy Sims of Oklahoma in pursuit of a second Heisman Trophy . . . Charles White of Southern Cal in hot pursuit of Sims . . . Curtis Dickey, in the colors of Texas A&M, running away from the crowd.

Mike Ford of SMU is America's No. 1 quarterback. His mother will be pleased to hear that. Last season

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ALL-AMERICAN

Offense

Billy
Sims
Oklahoma



Charles
White
USC



PK
Rex
Robinson
Georgia

Mike
Ford
SMU



Curtis
Dickey
Texas A&M



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Defense

(National Predictions continued)

somebody said Mike looked fat. To us he appears solid . . . and sensational.

Look at our line! Dwight Stephenson of Alabama is the center. Paul Tabor of Oklahoma and Brad Budde of Southern Cal look like sure winners at guards. Greg Kolenda, an Arkansas strongman, and Southern Cal's Anthony Munoz, are top tackles.

As tight ends go, Mark Brammer of Michigan State will go far. Athlon's split end is Ken Margerum of Stanford.

All-American defenders are where

you find them, sacking quarterbacks, smashing sweeps, finishing off fullbacks just as they receive the ball. Some roam in the secondary, stars out in the open where you can see.

Roland James is such a standout for Tennessee, a classy cornerback. Kenny Easley does the same fine job for UCLA. Pete Harris is Penn State's main attraction. Johnnie Johnson roams the open spaces for Texas.

Some say linebackers are the heart and soul of defense. Athlon All-

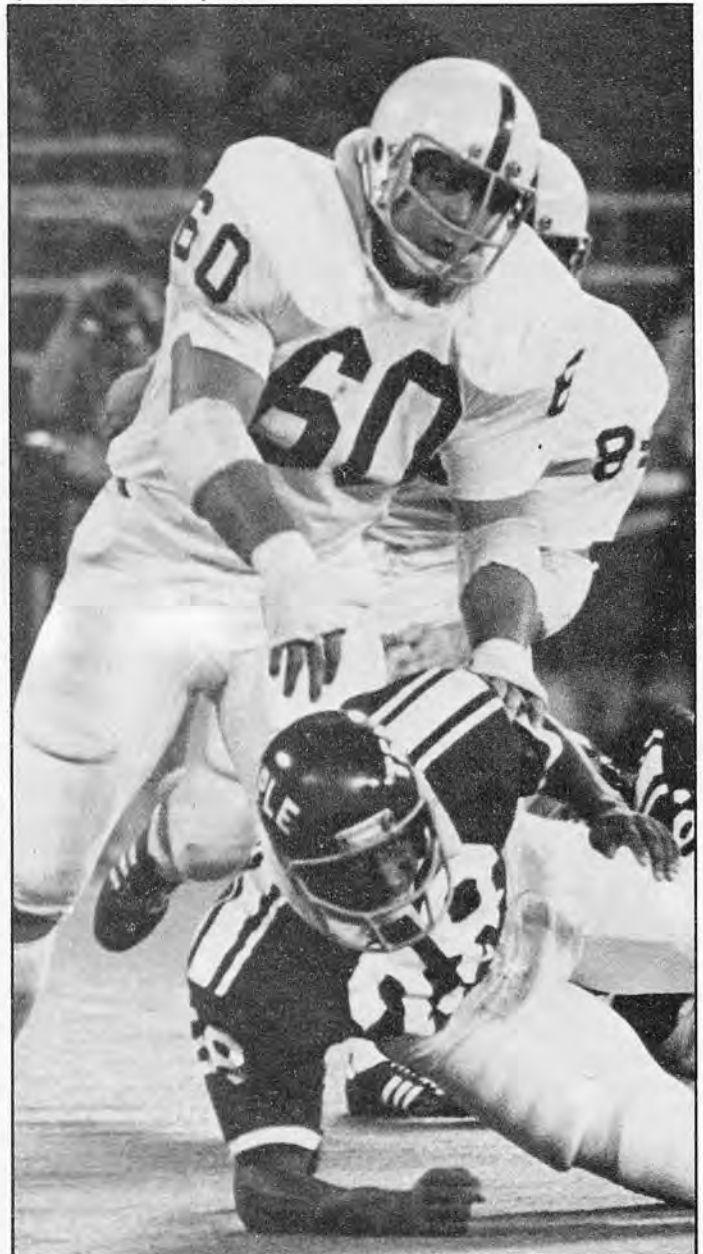
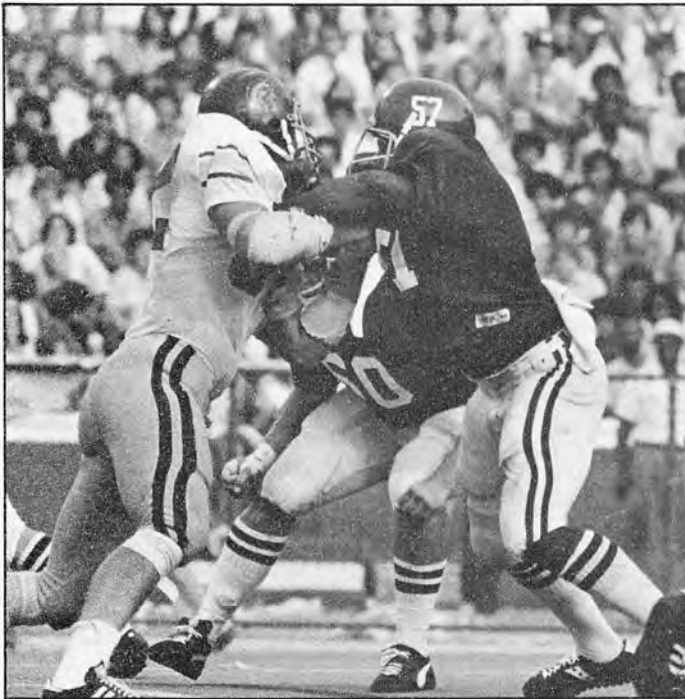
American linebackers are heavy hitters . . . George Cumby of Oklahoma, Dennis Johnson of Southern Cal, Lance Taylor of Texas.

Up front are mountains who won't move . . . Frank Warren of Auburn, Matt Millen and Bruce Clark of Penn State, Gary Don Johnson of Baylor.

Rex Robinson of Georgia is too near-perfect as a placekicker for us to miss. Jim Miller is not only the best barefoot punter in America, he's the best punter. The wind just blows less in Mississippi.

END

(Left) Alabama center Dwight Stephenson (57) blocks the Trojans. (Right) Penn State defensive lineman Matt Millen avoids a blocker and goes on with his game. (Lower left) Tennessee defensive back Roland James scampers with an interception.



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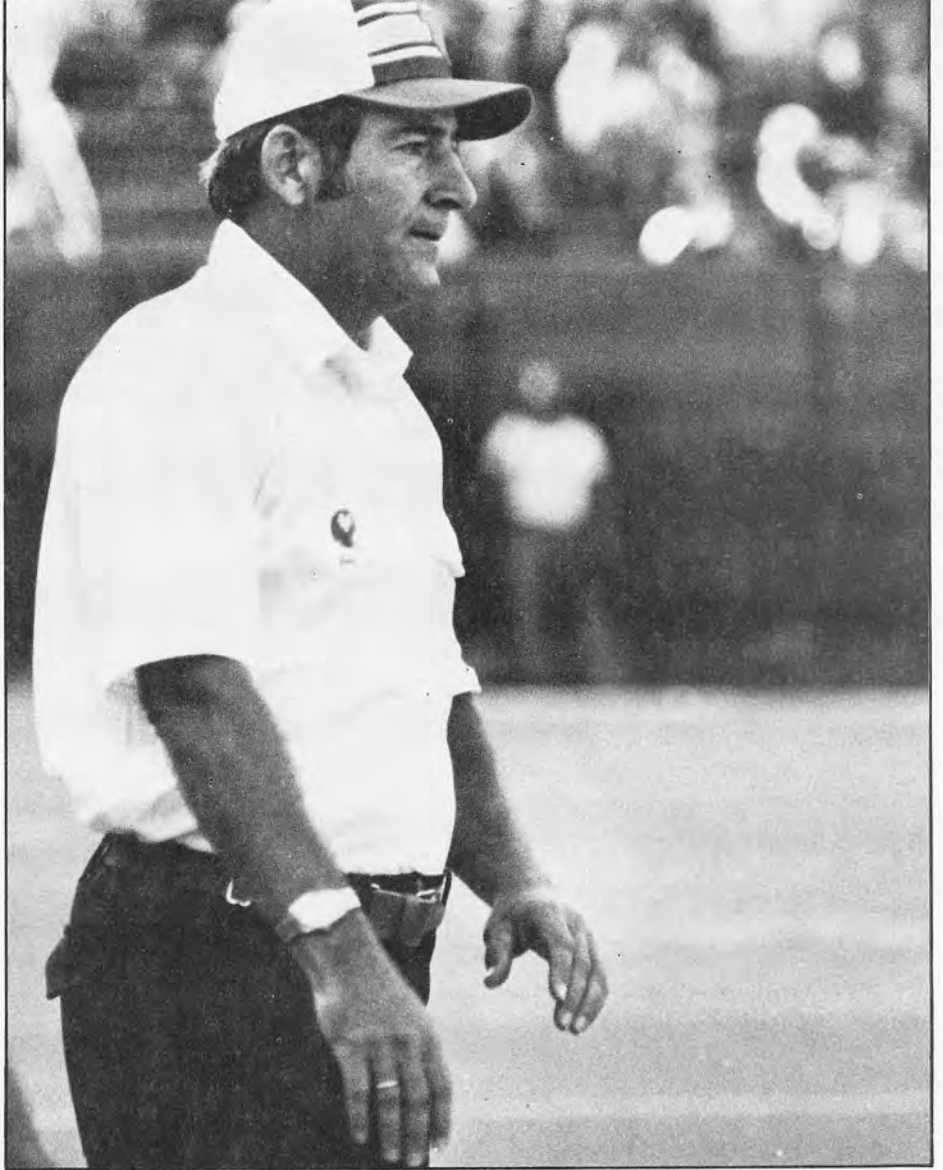
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When EF Hutton talks, people listen.

(Upper right) Ex-Florida Coach Doug Dickey was called upon to lead the Buffs while Fairbanks and the Patriots fought it out in court. (Below) Part of Mallory's problem was a poor relationship with the press. (Lower right) Proud Colorado fans and their Buffalo hope for better days.



(Colorado continued)

One can only wonder what will happen this season. Colorado lost six offensive starters from the team that ranked sixth in total offense in conference games; three of those starters were in the line, and one was All-American tackle Matt Miller, a good friend of Stan's. The three other starters who graduated made up the offensive backfield (except for returning quarterback Bill Solomon), and on paper, recruiting during the stormy "is he, isn't he" Fairbanks period doesn't appear to be the answer.

That was one other bad stroke of publicity that came up during CU's harangue with the Patriots over Fairbanks. Joe Terranova, a so-called "national expert" on college recruiting, proclaimed that Dickey and Co. "didn't have a good year. I wouldn't want to say that the University of Colorado's recruiting was terrible," Terranova was quoted as saying. But, "The school was at the bottom of the barrel in the Big Eight."

Of the returning offensive starters junior guard Brant Thurston is 6-5, 260 pounds, which together with Brock will give CU one awesome strong side if Fairbanks wants. Junior Joe Bell (6-1, 225)

and Ted Stipanovich (6-3, 230) who lettered as a freshman last year, appear set as guards. Another change may turn Jim Donnelly, a reserve tight end in '78, into the starting center if he can beat out soph Wade Kafkaloff. Split end Kazell Pugh (5-10, 160) is a veteran, but didn't crack the Big Eight statistics charts in receiving. Greg Howard, a 6-6, 226-pound senior tight end did, catching 28 passes to rank fifth in receiving, but he is expected to be pushed by Bob Niziolek. Solomon, a 6-1, 221-pounder junior, is the Buffs' leading returning rusher with 484 yards last year. He ranked fourth in the conference in passing with 944 yards and three touchdowns.

The only other starter along with Brock left from the 1976 Orange Bowl team is

defensive back Mike Davis, who with All-Big Eight Mark Haynes leads a defense of eight returning starters, including a backfield that is intact. Haynes (6-0, 194) and Davis (6-1, 201) ranked seventh and eighth respectively in tackles among backs last year in the Big Eight. But again, the line will need patching. Noseguard Laval Short (6-2, 241) will have to take up some of the slack created by the loss of second team all-conference picks Ruben Vaughan and Stuart Walker. Tackle George Visger (6-5, 248) linebacker Bill

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(Right) Stan Browder and Mike Davis reflect the kind of season the Buffs experienced in 1978. (Below) Big Stan Brock is looking forward to a fine senior season.





(Colorado continued)

Roe (6-4, 225) and end Steve Doolittle (6-5, 223) will help.

So now it is up to Fairbanks. His record in six seasons as the head coach at Oklahoma was 52-15-1, which could take a beating this season. In addition to that always brutal lineup of Big Eight opponents, Colorado's schedule was toughened up this season with Louisiana State added to Oregon, Drake and Indiana.

"Oklahoma and Nebraska are always tough. I wish I had a new line to throw about that," said Brock, "but that's why anybody goes to any Big Eight school, to beat the powerhouses. And Nebraska is looking for Oklahoma and Oklahoma is looking for Nebraska.

"I'm sure ol' Missouri is going to be gunning for us after we pulled out that game on TV. Kansas State, we owe them one, because we lost that game there and

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that was right when the school was deciding on Mallory, or it was around then."

And what is in store for Stan Brock, senior?

"I'm really looking forward to this year, with this coaching staff," he said. "I would like to play pro, that's every college player's goal. I'm not losing any sleep over it. If it happens that's great, and if it

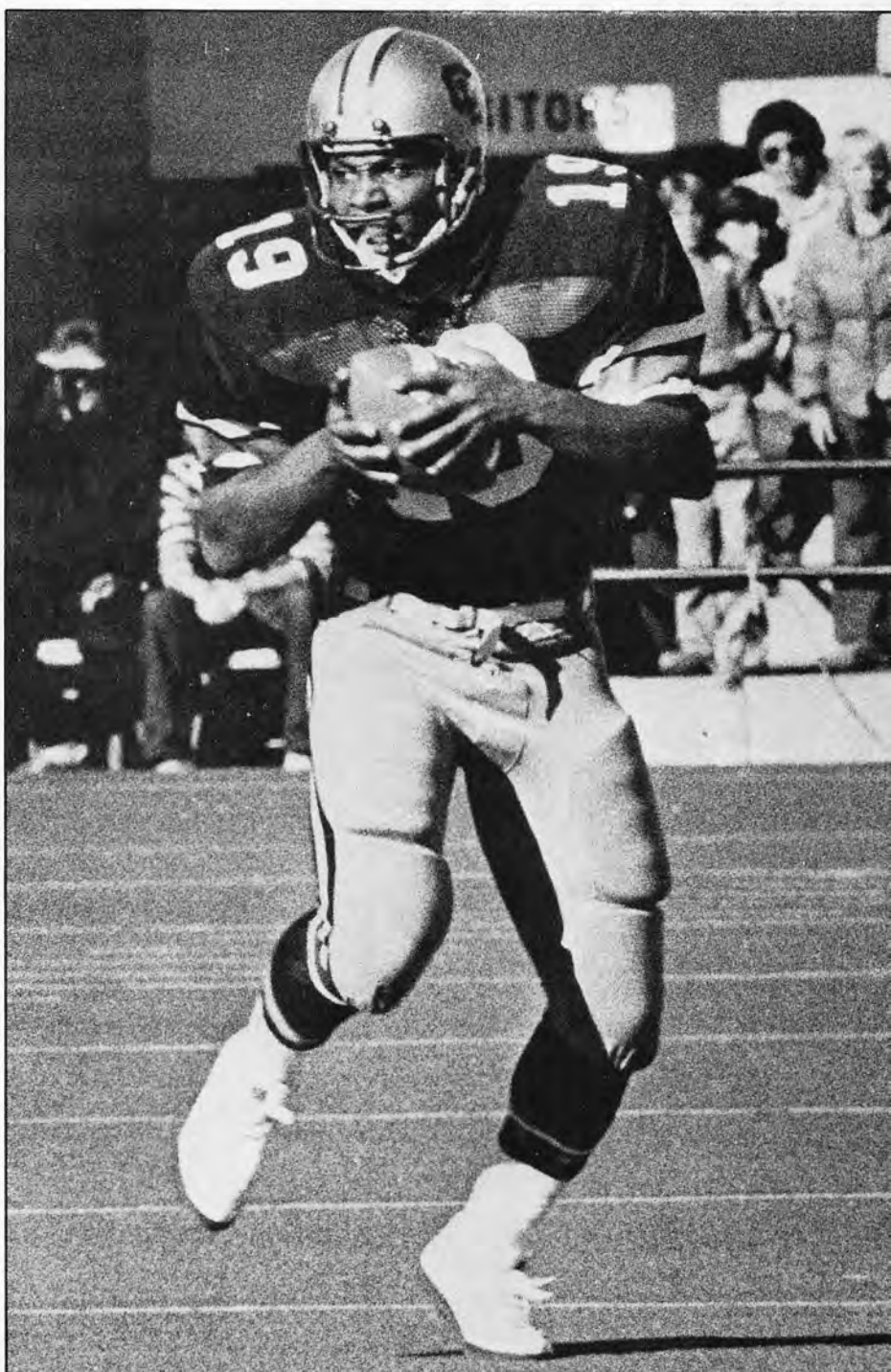
doesn't that's fine, too. I think if I have a good season and improve my speed I'll have a shot at it.

"That was the first big advantage I thought of when they said the new coach at Colorado was going to be Coach Fairbanks. What I really liked about it was if he came here, and knowing he coached in the pros, if he said to a scout, 'Hey, Stan Brock can play,' he'd know what he was talking about."

And Brock thought back to the spring day in Boulder at training table when he first met Chuck Fairbanks.

"He asked how much I weighed and what I ran the 40 in," said Stan. "It's five-flat. Not blazing, but it'll get me there. He seemed pretty positive about it. That was kind of a boost to the ol' ego."

Now everybody is waiting to see what Fairbanks will do for the rest of the Colorado football program. **END**



(Above) A ferocious Colorado defense sends this back flying. (Upper right and right) Charles Davis is shown in action.

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And how good would Goodlow be? "I hope one of those guys can do the job," he said. "If not, I'm going to be in trouble."

State, traditionally one of the Big Eight powers. He was the leading scorer and rebounder on the Wildcat junior varsity as a freshman. Last year, he moved up to the varsity as No. 3 guard and turned in some strong performances during K-State's drive to a second-place finish in the conference.

Not bad considering he joined basketball practice almost six weeks behind the rest of the players. "It's really hard," Goodlow said about the transition from football to basketball. "Your muscles are very tight, and your timing is way behind the other guys. It takes quite awhile to get ready."

It also takes awhile to get used to basketball's routine, especially for a young man interested in maintaining an impressive 3.2 grade-point average.

"It's a problem," admits Goodlow, a business major. "You're out of town a lot, and it's hard to find time to study."

Studying is very important to Goodlow. More important than the professional career most folks think will be awaiting him after college.

"Right now, if the opportunity (to play professionally) comes, I'd probably give it a try, but I'm not really looking forward to it. Too many people base their careers on the pros. Sure, it's easy money, but too many things can happen. Besides, I enjoy business."

That hardly sounds like your typical jock, but then Goodlow is hardly typical. He's modest, intelligent, unassuming. "He's the kind of guy you don't mind seeing get some publicity," says Dickey.

Goodlow will get even more publicity this season if Dickey can find a quarterback to replace graduated Dan Manucci, the Big Eight's No. 2 passer a year ago.

"It's very important we have a guy who can get Gene the ball," Dickey warned. "He's a very talented receiver, and we want to take advantage of his skills."

There are plenty of quarterback candidates, but none with experience. It's Dickey's biggest concern as he continues his rebuilding program at Kansas State. "How good would the Ringling Brothers-Barnum & Bailey Circus be without a ringmaster?" asked Dickey.

And how good would Goodlow be? "I hope one of those guys can do the job,"

if not, I'm going to be in trouble."

So is Kansas State, which surprised almost everyone by winning four games last year, three of them in the Big Eight. "We were 4-7, but we should have won a few more games," Goodlow said. "I'm expecting a lot of things this year. Before, everyone wanted to win. Now, they're learning how to win."

Most of last year's cast returns, including eight offensive starters and seven defensive regulars. Twenty-five other lettermen also will be on hand.

The defensive secondary—cornerbacks J.J. Miller and Phil Switzer and safeties Sam Owen and Brad Horchem—returns intact, and should be bolstered by a healthy Clyde Brinson, a two-year starter who stayed out last season with a knee injury.

The second and third-leading rushers—durable fullback Roosevelt Duncan and spindly-legged tailback L.J. Brown—are still around. So is the bulk of the receiving corps, as well as the offensive line.

Obviously, there's reason for optimism . . . if a quarterback can be found. "We need someone who can get us into the end zone, throwing and running the football," Dickey said as he enters his second year. "It's a wide open race, although Sheldon Paris has the early edge because of his experience last season."

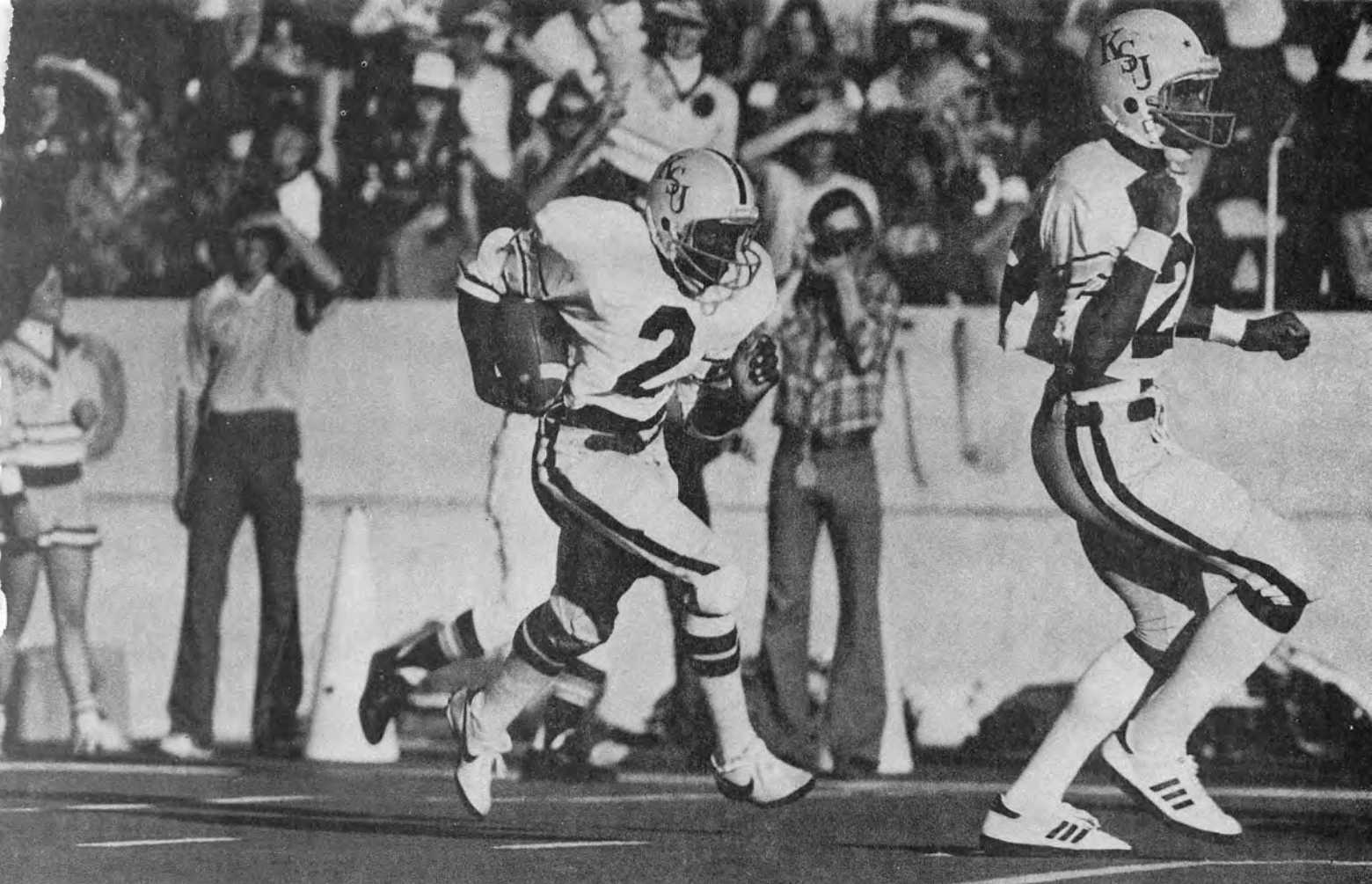
His experience, however, was limited. The 6-3, 208-pound senior from Canada only threw the ball 33 times (completing 16) in his role as Manucci's backup. Not playing is nothing new to Paris. He didn't even participate in football while attending Sir Winston Churchill High School in Vancouver, British Columbia.

Should Paris falter, Dickey will have to call on someone who has never played in a major college game. The candidates are junior Paul Hobbs, a better runner than passer; Darrell Dickey (the coach's son), a freshman redshirt; JC transfer Bob Daniels and walk-on freshman Mike Kopsky.

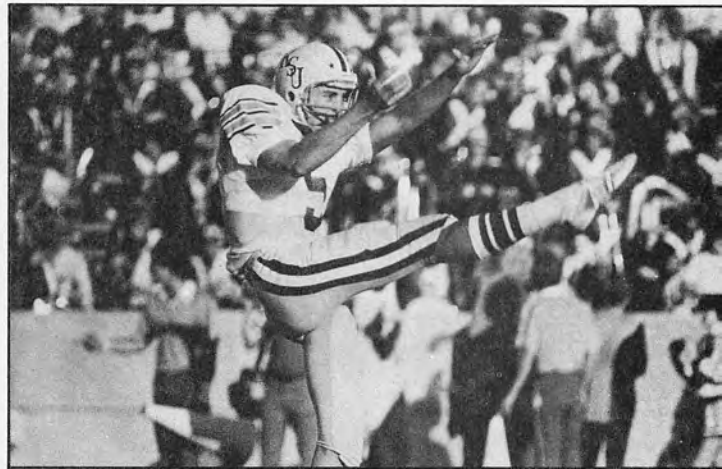
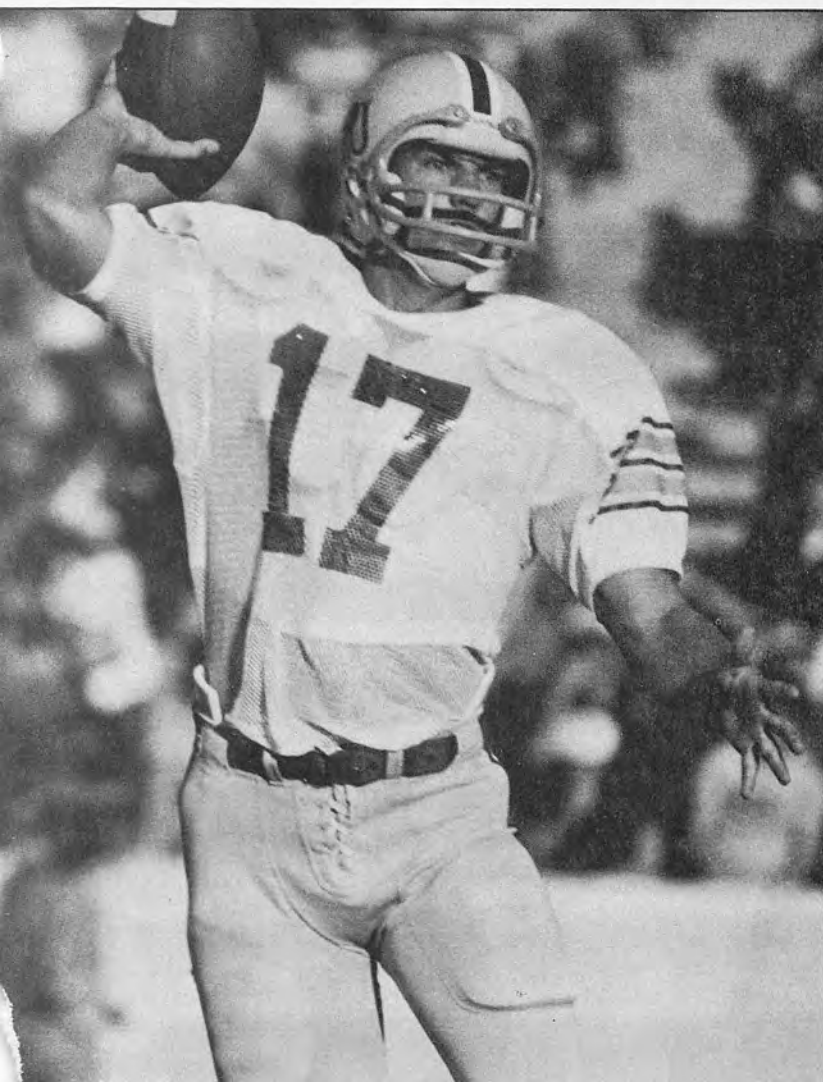
Dickey is more comfortable with the rest of the offense. Goodlow, of course, is set at flanker, and he should be complemented by split end John Liebe, a local product who missed the 1978 season because of a knee injury. Liebe has a tough act to follow. He'll be filling in for all-conference Charlie Green, the Big Eight's top receiver last year. Tight end belongs to Eddy Whitley, another player resurrected from the Rainsberger regime.

Nobody heard about him last year, but don't be surprised if tailback Keith Dearring develops into one of the conference's premier running backs. The 6-1, 212-pound freshman redshirt from Pittsburgh, Pa., has the K-State coaches drooling.

"He has everything it takes to be a
(continued)



Kansas State's attack will feature (above) Darryl Black (2), Don Birdsey (below), and Sheldon Paris (left).





(Kansas State continued)

Oddly enough, the prize of the group is guard Jim Miller (6-5, 236) the Cats' fifth leading receiver last year. That's right. Receiver.

great one," Dickey said about Dearing, who reportedly can scamper 40 yards in less than 4.4. "But he's got a hill to climb," Dickey added.

The hill is guarded by Brown, a late bloomer who averaged 5.4 yards a carry, and junior Darryl Black, who has all the tools but has been plagued with butter-fingers.

Blocking for those guys is the biggest, and Wildcat coaches hope, the best offensive line to wear the purple and white in quite awhile. Oddly enough, the prize of the group is guard Jim Miller (6-5, 236) the Cats' fifth leading receiver last year. That's right. Receiver. He was a tight end until late in the year when injuries forced his move to guard. What a move! His blocking paved the way for K-State's season-ending wins over Colorado and Kansas.

Joining Miller will be JC transfer Kerry Wilson (6-4, 256) center Chuck Bowling (6-3, 240) and tackles Walt Wywadis (6-4, 265) and Bobby Thompson, whose play has not yet matched his 6-7, 295-pound bulk.

The defensive line isn't quite as solid. Tackle Rob Houchin is the only returning starter. Sophomores Wade Wentling and Steve Clark will battle JC transfers Tim Cole and Mike Ruzich for the other two down positions.

Tyrone Crews, the second-leading tackler on the team, is a good one at defensive end (outside linebacker in K-State's defensive look), and junior Tom Faerber returns as a starter at the other side.

K-State will miss linebacker William Fisher, its big-play defender, but James Walker returns as a starter, along with backups Floyd LeBlanc and Vic Koenning. Keep an eye on freshman redshirt Doug Catloth, too.

"I think we led the world in giving up points (last year)," Dickey muttered. "We hope to be able to field a much better defense this year."

He also hopes to be able to enjoy watching some field goals this year. Last year, the Wildcats were a pitiful 1-for-8 in that category. The appearance of JC transfer Butch Stocking should change that. Stocking is expected to complement punter Don Birdsey, a 41.0 kicker a year ago.

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Two that will contribute to the Wildcat cause are Eugene Goodlow (above) and Vic Koenning (below).

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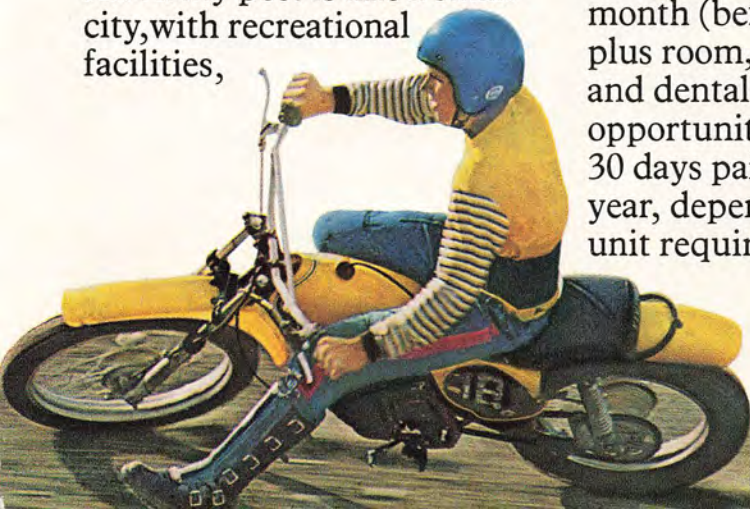
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Goodbye, Woody!

by Jay Searcy

I was on the sideline when the incident occurred and I knew at the time he couldn't survive another one. This one was different. I didn't condone it, but I understood his total frustration. Writing the story of his firing was the hardest thing I ever had to do. The last few years, after the tough defeats, after the Alabama loss in the Sugar Bowl, it was a great humiliation for him. He was really low after that. Then the loss to Michigan last year and the loss in the Gator Bowl. The frustration was just too much. I have thought many times that if the kid had just intercepted the pass on the other side of the field, there might have been a different ending to the movie."

—Paul Hornung, Sports Editor

THE COLUMBUS POST-DISPATCH

"The last few years, the players and the coaches kind of worked around him. The coaches would say, 'We'll do it this way, but don't let the old man know it.' It's a shame a legend has to end on a note like this.

Would I do it all over again? You bet I would. He recruited me, and he could recruit me again. Before you can condemn him, you have to know the man and the situation."

—Tom Cousineau

Ohio State linebacker

"At 1:15 there is a blare from unseen clarion trumpets at the north end of the stadium. The Faithful know what it heralds, and everyone strains for the first glimpse of an old ritual. From the ramp at the far end of the stadium comes the Buckeyes' famed blue-uniformed, white-spatted, all-brass marching band, originator in the early 1920's of the quick-stepping formations later adopted by almost every band in the nation. Suddenly, up through their ranks bursts this booted, high-shakoed drum major. By the time he gets up front he is in full flight into an improbable, high-stepping, backward-leaning routine that would land any normal person in an orthopedist's office. He flings up his baton, the band breaks into 'The Buckeye Battle Cry' and the place

goes ape. Delirium! Ecstasy! The 87,000 lose their gourds. Kill! Kill! Kill! Bring out the lions. Where the hell are the Christians? Go, Woody! Go Bucks!"

—Jerry Brondfield from

WOODY HAYES AND THE 100-YARD WAR

Wayne Woodrow (Woody) Hayes will not be prowling the Ohio Stadium sidelines in Columbus this year like some sultry bear. He will not be shouting in fury at the officials, snarling in frustration at his team, at his coaches, at himself.

That avalanche of sound in Columbus this September will be for new Coach Earl Bruce and his Buckeyes. Woody Hayes was fired last December for striking Charlie Bauman, a Clemson linebacker, in the final seconds of the Gator Bowl game. So, after 28 stormy years as coach at OSU, Woody won't have reason to stomp anymore, and we won't have his theatrics to read about.

We will have others to entertain us, of course. But who among today's college coaches will fling his wristwatch to the ground and stomp on it? Who will tear his cap apart, crumple his eye glasses in his bare hands, slug himself in the face until his eyes are black and blue?

And who will quote Karl von Clausewitz for us, Confucius, Bismarck, Herodotus, Whitman, Patton?

For those of us who never knew the man, who never played for him or coached with him, who were never recruited by him or invited into his modest home on Cardiff Road in Upper Arlington, he will be remembered for his awful, uncontrollable, irrational rages. And that's a shame.

College football will be better without those ugly incidents, but it will lose something, too. Woody's rages, it should be remembered, were a paltry by-product of his greatest virtue—a genuine concern for the order of things. To Woody, life was a series of simple matchups—good vs. bad, generosity vs. greed, honesty vs. subterfuge, discipline vs. apathy,

Long-time observers of Ohio State football say they have seen kids walk away from Woody in a huff, vowing never to return. Next year they go out recruiting for him.



decency vs. impropriety and above all, victory vs. defeat. The flaw in Woody's thinking, perhaps, was that he could never accept the idea that he was ever supposed to lose. Defeat was one thing he could not always control, though he came about as close as any coach who ever lived.

Only three coaches won more games than Woody Hayes—Amos Alonzo Stagg, Glenn (Pop) Warner and Alabama's Paul (Bear) Bryant. He won or shared 13 Big Ten Conference championships, was invited to eight Rose Bowls and won three national championships. In 33 years of college coaching, he won 238 games, lost 72 and tied 11, 205 of his victories coming at Ohio State.

"When I evaluate a football coach," said Lou Holtz, the Arkansas coach who served an apprenticeship under Hayes at Ohio State, "I don't read what people say in the papers or pay attention to what the alumni think. I take great stock in the evaluation of his former players and coaches. I've never known of an athlete or coach who played under Woody who didn't have the highest regard for the man. He was a positive influence on my life and hundreds of other athletes. He made better people. He was probably personally responsible for more people graduating from Ohio State than any professor."

Holtz remembers one of the painful lessons he learned from Hayes:

"In 1968 when I was on his staff, we started 16 sophomores in the middle of the year when we played Purdue, then the No. 1 team in the country. They had defeated us badly the year before. We played a super game overall, but it's the greatest *defensive* game I've ever been associated with. Purdue had Mike Phipps that year and we held him to 95 yards passing. We ran one interception back for a touchdown, returned another interception to the Purdue seven and Ohio State won, 13-0.

"I was so excited. We had 37 house guests that weekend, had a big party planned with all my friends over. They ate all our food and drank everything we had. But I missed the party. Woody had the entire staff report to the office immediately after the game



Most sportswriters are not and never have been "Woody fans".

and we broke down films. He taught us that what happened yesterday won't have any effect on what happens tomorrow."

Football without Woody Hayes will be the same at other universities, says Holtz, "but it will never be the same at Ohio State. They will win as much, perhaps, but it will be more serene."

Paul Hornung, sports editor of *The Columbus Post-Dispatch*, has known Woody for 38 years, ever since Hayes was a first-year coach at Denison. So fond of Woody was Hornung that the sportswriter became known around press boxes as the Ohio State "house man."

"First of all, all the incidents he was involved in were blown way out of proportion," said Hornung. "The more the years went on, the worse things became. For instance, you read in a paper that Woody pushed a camera in a photographer's face and that it

put the photographer in the hospital. The truth is, the guy went to an emergency room because he wanted it on the record. He really suffered no injuries. But these things snowball.

"The things he has done for people aren't known, unfortunately. During the student uprisings of the sixties, he spent all his free time going around campus trying to talk to these young people, going through dormitories room by room, trying to quiet the situation. His wife told me once that he would come home late at night so totally tired that she would have to help him undress and roll him into bed. He was totally, physically drained, and it had nothing to do with football. It was just that he had a deep love for Ohio State, a belief that the young people were making a mistake.

"Woody must have told me 100 times in the 28 years, after he had done something for somebody: 'If you put anything in the paper about this,

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(Goodbye, Woody continued)

"It just struck me recently that this year, for the first time in 28 years, I'll be going to the game on Saturdays and Woody won't be on the sideline."

I'll deny it. I've gone with him many times to hospitals, to see somebody he didn't even know, just for friends. Sometimes he would do it for total strangers, just admirers of his.

"Ohio State will continue to have a successful operation without Woody, but it'll be different. It just struck me recently that this year, for the first time in 28 years, I'll be going to the game on Saturdays and Woody won't be on the sideline.

"I don't deny that the image America has of Woody is part of the picture," Hornung said. "But the way I always look at it is that I total up the assets, total up the liabilities and he comes out so far ahead that the liabilities are not worth bothering with. He never did anything to penalize his team until the Gator Bowl incident. He is the most remarkable man I've ever met. He is a man of so many different facets. Unfortunately the public has only seen him through the eyes of the media and he has been given unfair treatment, especially in the last few years."

Being Woody Hayes' favorite sportswriter had its advantages, but, says Hornung, "I have taken a lot of blows because of it."

Said Hornung: "In the long run, I felt that our readers got a lot more because I was close to Woody. The few items that I got and never used that would have made juicy gossip or something like that—our readers were far ahead of the game, because I knew everything that was going on. It did give me an advantage and it allowed me to interpret things more accurately than some others. In my own heart, I don't think our readers got cheated out of anything worthwhile."

Most of the sportswriting fraternity had a different relationship with the coach, and a feeling that was part fear, part dread, part awe. Woody



Clemson's Charlie Bauman is a football thief extraordinaire, but he will probably never make an interception more important than the one that ignited Woody in this year's Gator Bowl.

didn't like to have his decisions questioned, didn't like to have his football family disturbed by headline hunters and he never concerned himself that writers might miss deadlines. Some of Woody's greatest criticism stemmed from his lack of co-operation with the press.

"I covered the Big Ten off and on for 10 years and I used to dread going to his dressing room," said Bill Lyon, now a columnist for *The Philadelphia Inquirer*. "I was scared. Most of the time he was grumpy, but I remember once, after he had just beaten somebody about 49-6, he held the statistics chart in his hand showing how Ohio State had gained about 500 yards, done everything just right. He reminded me of the head of a big corporation who had just received the quarterly report showing record earnings. Those were the times he was perfectly charming."

Said Paul Zimmerman of *The New York Post*: "I'm able to sustain two views of Woody Hayes. One is of Woody as a football coach, and one as a man whom I as a writer would have to cover on my job. I know how Woody Hayes coaches football, and if

I were a young player, I'd give my left arm to play for him. But I also know his general opinion of the press, and as a sportswriter, you couldn't pay me enough to cover him on a regular basis."

Hayes had other critics of course, some assistant coaches who, having witnessed his rages, left his staff and called him mad. There were some players who left his squad and charged that he bullied them. But now, just a few months after Hayes' firing, it is hard to find any of them who have an unkind word for him.

On March 6 in Dayton, the old Buckeye was honored by 750 people, more than 450 of his former players and almost 40 of his former assistants, some of them once among his biggest critics.

"Some of my greatest friends," Hayes told them, "are always people that I fight with."

Said Kaye Kessler, a Columbus sportswriter who has covered Hayes for 28 years: "There's just something about the old man. For years I've seen kids walk away from him in a huff, vowing they'd never come back. And a year later they'd be out there recruiting for him."

Charlie Bauman, the Clemson line-backer who intercepted the Ohio State pass that caused the Gator Bowl incident, never had any ill feelings toward Hayes. "He's a great man and a great coach," said Bauman. "I'm sorry it happened."

Several weeks after the incident, Woody telephoned Bauman at Clemson. "He wanted to thank me for the way I handled it," said Bauman. "He wanted to know how I intercepted the pass. He wanted to know if it was a special play. I don't remember if he apologized."

Probably not. Hayes was never the apologizing type. "My attitude is not to apologize," he said. "I'll take the blame, not cop out, or take the easy way out. The only people I apologize to are my coaches." Five of them were without jobs because of what Woody did.

Perhaps the most impressive facet of the complex, contradictory Woody Hayes, even more impressive than his magic recruiting ability, more impressive than his football genius, is

"I don't trust nice people. I just don't trust them because when things start going wrong, they don't make the right decision. No sir, they make the decision in regard to their image."

his genuine loyalty to America and his concern for its youth.

Listen to Woody on ideology: "It's all going to come down to who treats their youngsters better, Russia or us. Great ideas survive with great youngsters and great youngsters come from great homes. If anything happens politically that tears homes apart, I'm against it. All our great football teams were built on great homes."

Listen to him on loyalty: "To tell the truth, I am sick and tired of hearing people who work for a company going around bad-mouthing it. If you don't like a company, get out. If you don't like a football team, get out. People forget that loyalty is a two-way street."

Listen to him on trust: "I don't trust nice people. I just don't trust them because when things start going wrong, they don't make the right decision. No sir, they make the decision in regard to their image."

Said Kaye Kessler: "If you don't want to like Woody Hayes, don't ever listen to him speak."

Hayes, now 66, has full tenure at Ohio State. He could retire with a pension in excess of \$30,000, but then money has never been a consideration for him. He has turned down raises more than once. He has a full professor status and is capable of teaching a number of subjects.

A Hollywood production company has bought the rights to his life story and a movie will be made of it. He is in demand as a lecturer.

"The truth is," said his former secretary, Woo Spalding, "we don't know what Woody is going to do."

Woody Hayes, people who know him will tell you, will do just about any damn thing he pleases. **END**

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Veteran reporter Jim Trinkle reminisces with the two Southwest greats—
Texas' Darrell Royal and Arkansas' Frank Broyles.

A Visit With Frank Broyles



by Jim Trinkle

Football fever in Arkansas was a welcome malady during Frank Broyles' 1958-76 term as coach. The Razorbacks won or shared seven SWC championships and played in 10 bowl games under Broyles. He retired with a 144-58-5 record in 19 seasons, electing to be athletic director. It was a decision followed by long-time friend and opponent, Texas' Darrell Royal. Here are some of Broyles' remembrances:

I never fancied myself as any person except the Arkansas football coach. I never had ambitions to go to the Hall of Fame dinner in New York, those kind of things. And I never went. I'm not sure you could pinpoint any major thing I accomplished. We had great support for our program here, and I like to think we developed one that is traditionally strong.

Darrell and I became acquainted when he came to Georgia Tech to see Coach (Bobby) Dodd about the kicking game. He was coaching at Mississippi State. We were the same age, ambitious, trying to get ahead as coaches. After I came to Arkansas we were at SWC meetings, and usually on the same side of the fence on athletic issues. Both of us liked golf, and we became friends.

As Darrell has said, our personalities were different, but Edith (Royal) and Bar-

Darrell doesn't fancy himself as the great coach he is. It's a rare quality in people involved in professions that depend on public judgment.

bara (Broyles) are a lot alike. We took them with us a lot and they became close friends.

Barbara and I were at home one Saturday night after Darrell lost to Baylor for the first time (1974). Your first loss to a team is damaging to you, and I had a lot of respect for Darrell. I wrote him a letter and told him that our generation had no peer in coaching. I said he had had more success than 99 per cent of the coaches, but he still was the same person I had known when he was an assistant coach. He had avoided the personal corruption that comes from adulation.

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The wishbone helped change the course of football when it needed help. Col-

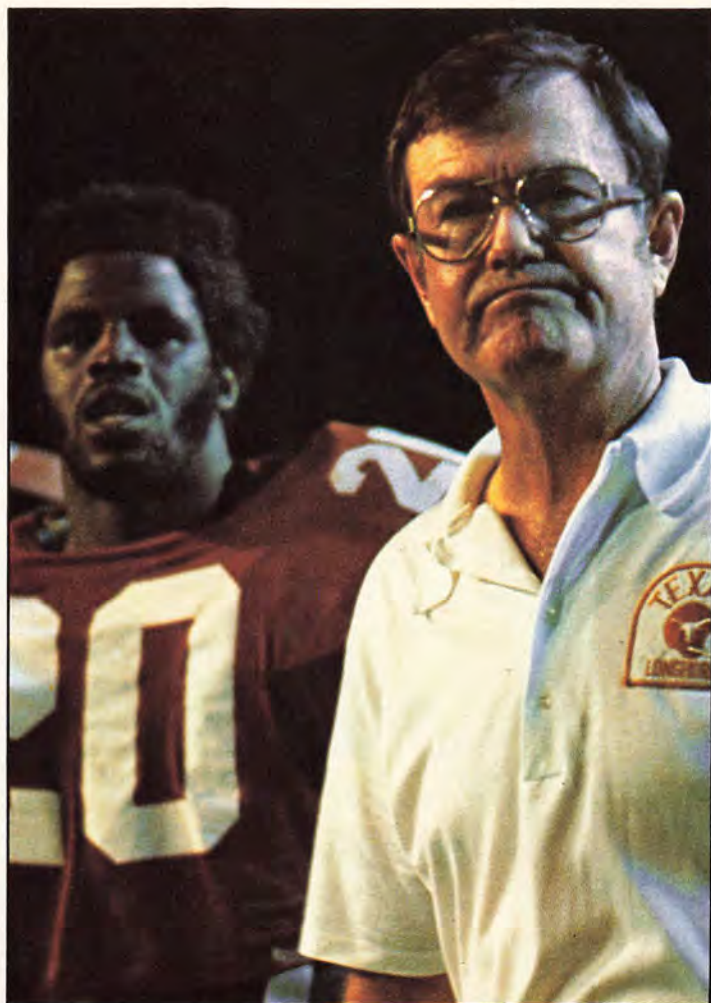
lege football had become stereotyped—scores were low, and so was interest—and nobody was getting the ball across the goal. Darrell developed the wishbone and the game surged from that point.

When I came to Arkansas we tried to get established with hard-nosed football. We lost our first six games! It was my first setback as player or coach. I wrote my dad, who was in the insurance business, and told him to save me a place.

Then we lost to Ole Miss, 14-12, and they were No. 1 in the nation. We went to play the Aggies, and I was talking to Dixie White (an assistant) before the game. I looked at A&M and said, "Can we ever compete with these great Texas athletes?" He said, "I thought we were better than average, but I doubt it."

Joe Paul Alberty was supposed to take A&M's kickoff and run up the right side of the field. He ran up the left side—all the way to A&M's nine-yard line. James Monroe, our quarterback, spun left when he should've spun right on the next play. The result was such confusion that he just walked across. Two busted plays and we had a touchdown. I turned to Dixie and said, "No way we can lose." We went on to win our last four games, and either won or tied for the conference the next three years.

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A Visit With Darrell Royal

by Jim Trinkle

When Darrell Royal surrendered coaching duties to Fred Akers after the 1976 season, his Texas teams were 167-47-5, had won 11 SWC titles, three national championships and played in 16 bowls. With the Longhorns' rush to gridiron excellence under Royal, and Frank Broyles' soaring success at Arkansas, the UT-UA rivalry quickly drew national attention. This is DKR's story of those years.

The rivalry between us and Arkansas, to my mind, started with won-loss records. Texas had a tremendous series with Rice in earlier years, then against TCU when Abe Martin was coach. The Oklahoma game was always a knuckle-popper. Texas and the Aggies were traditional enemies, but other rivalries have been judged by recent won-loss records.

The Hogs sure won't forget those 1964 and '65 games (won by Arkansas by a total of four points). We were coming off a '63 national championship, and Arkansas was the only game we lost. We went for two points and they beat us 14-13. Then we beat Alabama (and Joe Namath) in the Orange Bowl.

Jon Brittenum (UA quarterback) had us down 21-0 in that '65 game in Fayetteville. We finally went ahead with four minutes to go and them 80 yards away. They beat us

The Hogs sure won't forget those 1964 and '65 games (won by Arkansas by a total of four points).

when Bobby Crockett went crazy, catching Brittenum's passes.

It was Frank's rebuilding and Arkansas' resurgence that established a keen rivalry between us. Texas has always been top folks, and Texas is always the team the others most want to beat.

I knew Frank when he was an assistant, working with Georgia Tech's offense and I was at Mississippi State. I'd call him about plays they ran, what we called the "inside belly" or "second man through." I got coaching techniques from Frank and used them for years before I got into the wish-bone and changed blocking patterns slightly. But the coaching patterns I got from Frank early followed me through Mississippi State, Washington and here, even when we were in the "flip-flop."

Jack Mitchell was coach the first time I played Arkansas (1957). (Royal followed Mitchell as Bud Wilkinson's split-T quarterback at Oklahoma in the late '40's). We were underdogs. Fred Bednarski kicked a

field goal for us, and I think he might have been the first sidewinder (soccer style) kicker to kick a field goal in major college football. It got the team excited and we upset 'em. What's funny is that when I was at Washington I sent a scout to a Texas-USC game and he came back raving about Bednarski kicking off into the end zone. The next year, I was coaching him. Hey, that's a little zinger for you! I'm pretty sure Fred was the first soccer-style kicker used on kickoffs.

(Royal shared the SWC championship with TCU and Arkansas in 1959, his third season at Texas. The reward was a Cotton Bowl date against nationally-ranked Syracuse, which won 23-14 in a game enlivened by fisticuffs.)

I wish one of the other tri-champs had played Syracuse. In 23 years as head coach they're still one of the best teams I played.

Earl Campbell was the best all-round player I ever coached, but Tommy Nobis ('65 All-American linebacker) played his position better than anyone I know. The guy you give the ball to all the time seems to be more valuable than the guy who stops 'em all the time.

I'm not sure Nobis didn't excel as much as Earl. He just played a different position. I was always scared Tommy wouldn't make

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PROFESSIONALS

The National Football League begins its 60th season with tougher than ever rules on violence against the quarterback and a stubborn insistence on relying on the eyes of referees—not instant replay cameras—to settle controversy on the field.

Those were the two major news items to come out of NFL owners' meetings last March in Honolulu. On most other matters, the wizards who control the game seem thoroughly content to maintain the status quo, and why not?

Television ratings continue to soar, most teams are filling their stadiums on a regular basis, and if not, there is always the \$5 million a year in television money from the networks to fall back on to meet the payroll.

On the field, the status quo also should be maintained, with Pittsburgh in the American Football Conference and Dallas in the National once again favored to meet in the Super Bowl game next January in Pasadena.

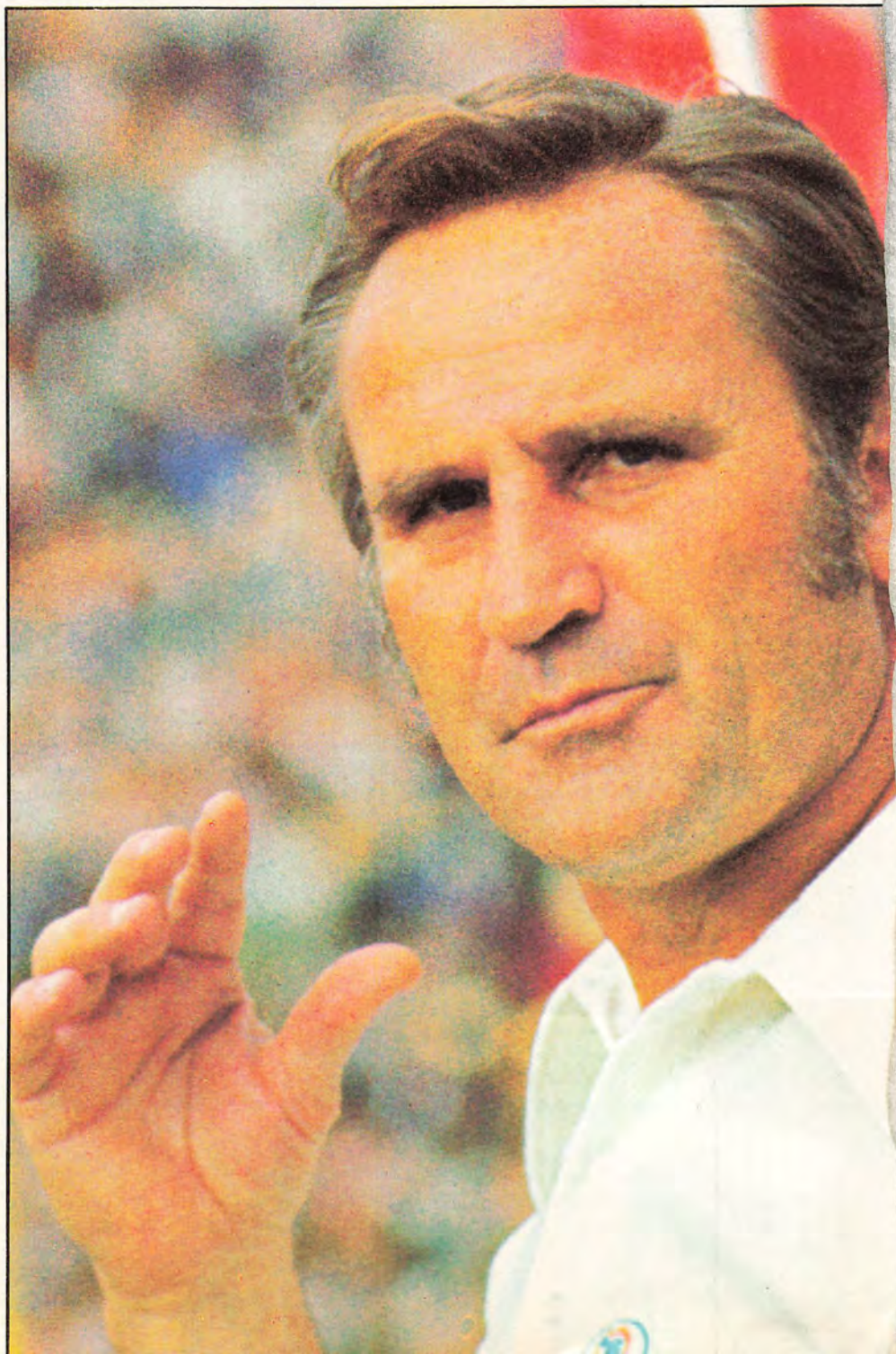
There will be all manner of pretenders to the throne, however, and the league's one-year-old scheduling plan pitting teams with similar records against each other in non-division play, should keep playoff races alive right down to the last week of the 16-game schedule.

The 1979 season will mark the debut of new head coaches in New York, Oakland, San Francisco and New England and will probably provide the last hurrah for a number of the league's aging stars—Fran Tarkenton, Billy Kilmer, Larry Csonka and O.J. Simpson, among others.

NFC East

The Cowboys remain the class of the East, if not the entire league, even if Roger Staubach is 37 years old. As long as he can hand off to Tony Dorsett, throw to Tony Hill and Drew Pearson and get the ball frequently with the aid of a magnificent defense, the Cowboys will continue to roll along.

The Philadelphia Eagles surprised a lot
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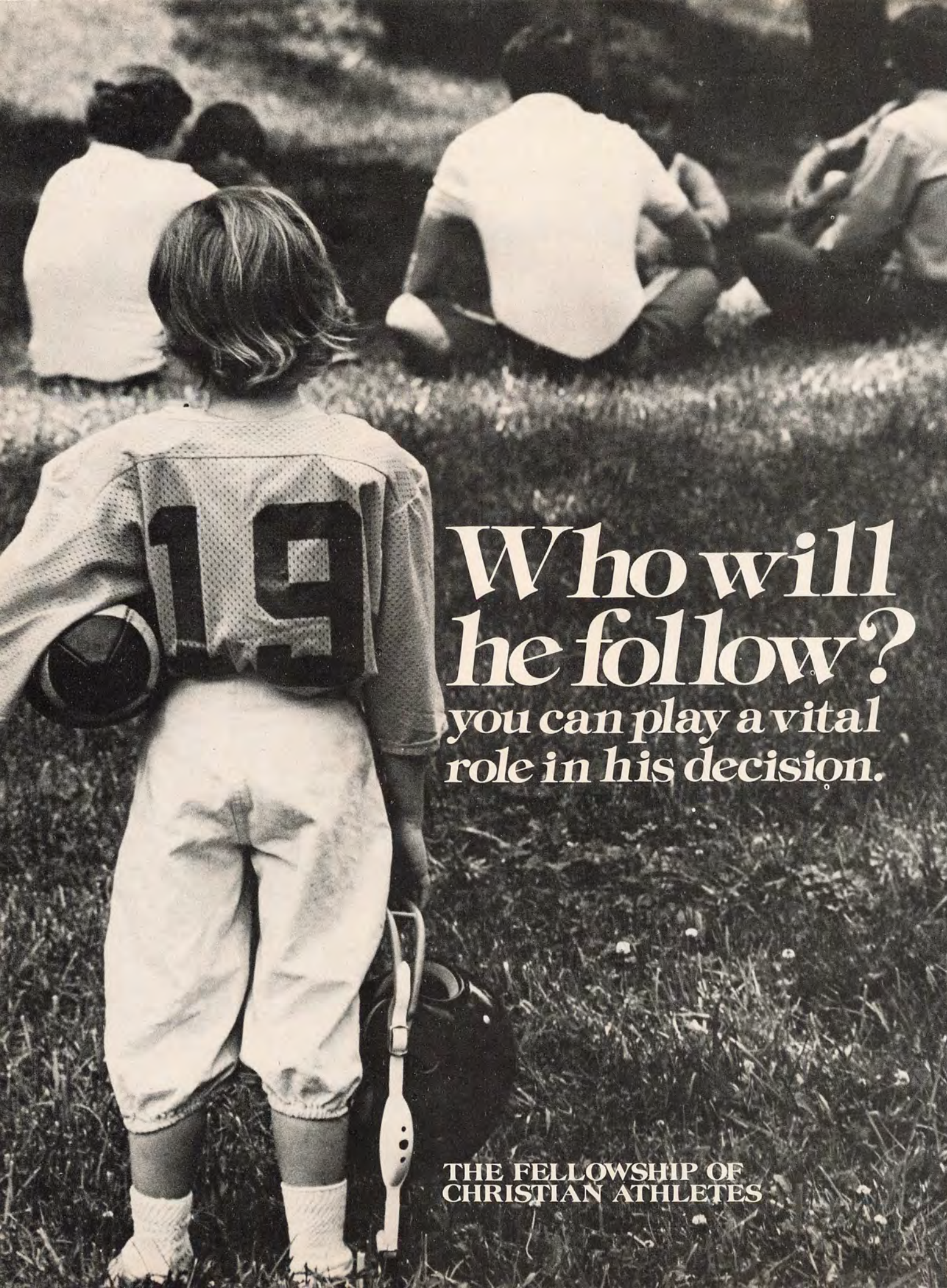


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of folks—including, perhaps, themselves—when they earned an NFC wild card playoff spot last year. Dick Vermeil was a Coach-of-the-Year for guiding an Eagle team minus No. 1 draft choices the last four seasons to the playoffs.

Quarterback Ron Jaworski has one of the strongest arms in the league and Wilbert Montgomery blossomed as a big buck back. With a little help on defense, the Eagles should be the Cowboys' most serious threat.

The St. Louis Cardinals started off with eight straight losses, but got respectable later in the season under Bud Wilkinson. Jim Hart is still one of the league's best passers and Mel Gray is always a deep threat receiver. The Cardinals also were thin on defense last year, mostly because of injuries. That should improve in '79.

The Redskins, after winning their first six, collapsed over the last two months of the season. Still without a No. 1 draft choice, the Redskins seem headed for harder times unless Joe Theismann gets his quarterback act together.

The N.Y. Giants have new leadership at the top with George Young at general manager and Ray Perkins as head coach. What they really need is a quarterback. Until they find one, the Giants will be fortunate to finish .500.

NFC Central

The Detroit Lions found themselves a quarterback in young Gary Danielson last year and fielded the rookie-of-the-year in defensive end Al Baker. The Lions are young, enthusiastic and well-coached by Monte Clark. They also seem ready to dethrone the Vikings as Central Division champions.

Minnesota still has Francis Tarkenton, but the Vikings had no ground attack in 1978 and the defense was barely adequate. This is an aging football team badly in need of new young talent.

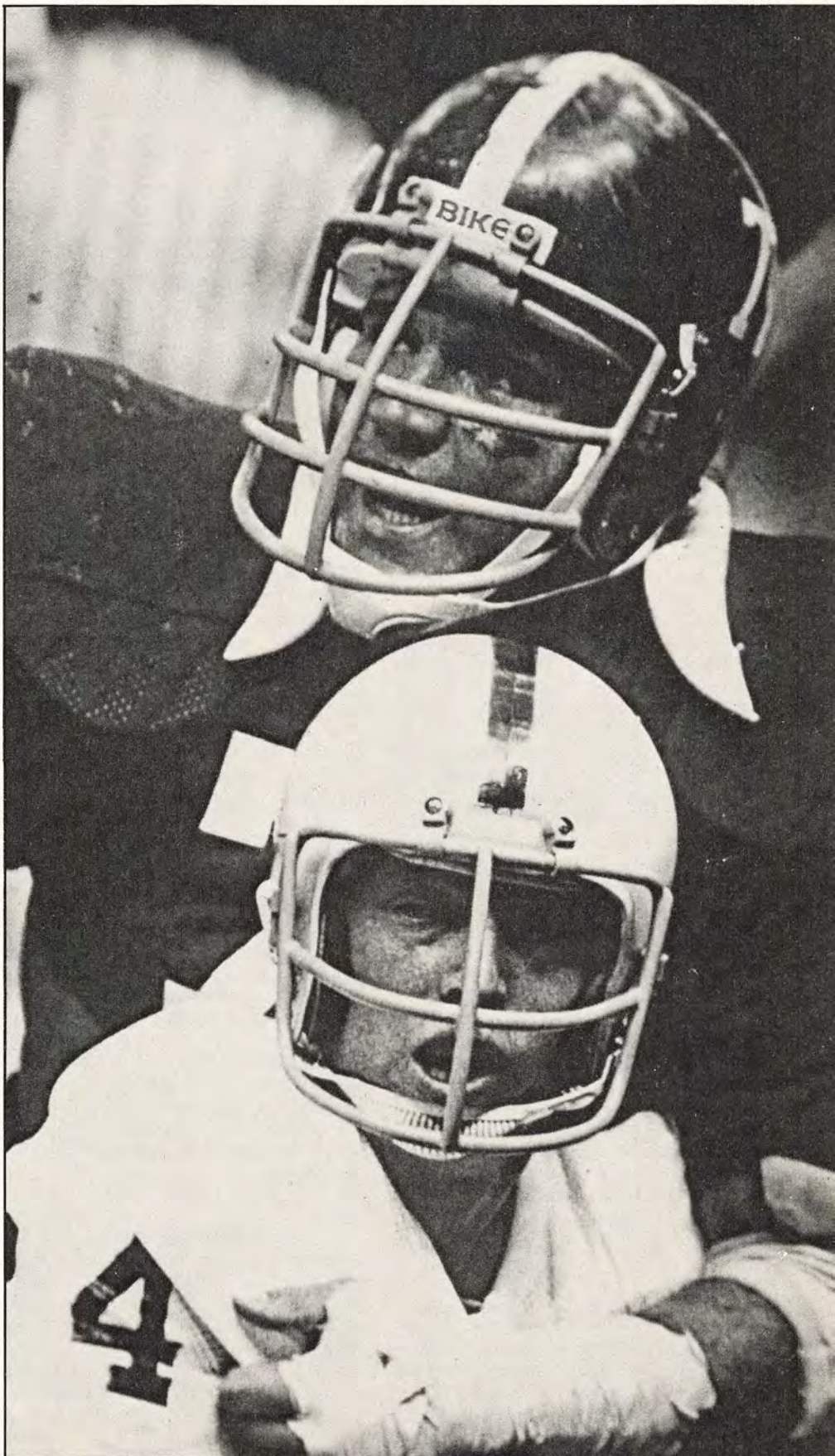
The Chicago Bears have the NFL's most talented running back in Walter Payton and a strong young defense. Fullback Roland Harper also made a major contribution last year, but the Bears could use more help at quarterback. Former Maryland man Bob Avellini will get still another shot this year, but he may not be the answer.

The Packers were contenders for a playoff spot until the last week of the season, mostly because they had a cream puff schedule and an outstanding running back in Terrell Middleton.

Any time Green Bay played one of the league's stronger teams, they folded. Expect the same in 1979.

Tampa Bay finally won some football

(continued)



Barry Krauss, Baltimore's first pick is typical of the tough new kids on the NFL block. Barry made the biggest single play of College Football 1978...the hit at the goal to seal No. 1 for Alabama.



Fran Tarkenton threatens to retire every season. Will this be the one???

(PROFESSIONALS continued)

games a year ago. Rookie quarterback Doug Williams was having a fine year until he was injured in mid-season. He should be much improved, though the Bucs are still a year away from playoff contention.

NFC West

The country club kids—also known as the Los Angeles Rams—have more talent than anyone in the division. They should win the West, then do their usual folding act in the playoffs.

The 49'ers have a new coach in Bill Walsh, but many of the same old problems. San Francisco fielded a peach-fuzz team of mostly rookies and second-year men a year ago, and when O.J. Simpson went out at mid-season with a bad shoulder, they could have given away tickets at Candlestick. O.J. is back for one more try and he—and his team—just might be a major surprise.

The Falcons advanced to the playoffs for the first time ever last year with a team that needed a half-dozen miracle finishes to make post-season play. Atlanta needs more help at running back, but the Falcons are strong at quarterback with Steve Bartkowski and the defense ranked fifth overall in the NFL a year ago.

New Orleans won seven games last year, a club record, mostly because Archie Manning finally found himself at quarterback. The Saints will not go marching into the playoffs, but they could win eight.

AFC East

The New England Patriots have sooooo much talent and sooooo many problems, most of them a direct result of the Chuck Fairbanks soap opera. No one really knows how the Pats will respond a year later, but they have enough all-pro players

to carry them to the playoffs. Maybe a team psychiatrist would help, too.

Larry Csonka has returned to the Dolphins, but Miami needs more help than he can provide, particularly on defense. Still, Delvin Williams is among the league's elite ball-carriers and if Bob Griese can stay healthy, Miami could win the East.

The N.Y. Jets fielded the youngest team in the NFL a year ago. In Richard Todd and Matt Robinson, they have the best two young quarterbacks in the game, and Wesley Walker is a talented deep threat at receiver. The Jets still seem a year or two away from winning the division, but they will scare a lot of teams.

The Baltimore Colts found out how much Bert Jones meant to them in 1978, when the big quarterback missed most of the season with a shoulder injury and the Colts failed to make the playoffs for the first time in four years. Jones is back, and the Colts should be too, as long as meddling owner Bob Irsay leaves the coaching to Ted Marchibroda.

Buffalo made some improvements last year under Coach Chuck Knox and the Bills had seven picks in the first three rounds of this year's draft. Knox needs a lot of help, but the Bills could climb to .500 this season, mostly because of quarterback Joe Ferguson and running back Terry Miller.

AFC Central

The Steelers won it all last year—an unprecedented third Super Bowl championship—and there is no reason not to believe they will repeat, as long as Terry Bradshaw and Lynn Swann stay healthy. The Steelers are two-deep strong at almost every position, and the addition of a swift tailback would make them unbeatable.

Houston had a magnificent year in

1978 and should easily earn another wild card berth. Dan Pastorini had his best ever season at quarterback, and Earl Campbell was the best rookie back to enter the league since Jim Brown.

Cleveland has the misfortune of playing in the NFL's toughest division, but the Browns could also challenge for a wild card spot. Brian Sipe finished fourth among AFC quarterbacks last year and Greg Pruitt finished strong despite early injuries. If the Browns can improve their defense, they could be a factor.

Cincinnati began the year by losing eight straight games, but quarterback Ken Anderson is healthy again and the Bengals should be growling. They fielded the third best pass defense in the NFL last year, and should be in the playoff race again.

AFC West

The San Diego Chargers were the best team in the NFL over the second half of the 1978 season, winning seven of their last eight under Don Coryell. With Dan Fouts at the controls, the Chargers had the No. 1 pass offense in football. And with Lydell Mitchell and Johnny Rogers expected to come back from injuries, San Diego should win the West.

The Oakland Raiders should have something to say about that, even if the familiar bear-like figure of John Madden will no longer be pacing the sidelines. Ulcers forced Madden out and Tom Flores must now try and regroup a talented team that slumped badly late in the season and did not make the playoffs.

Quarterback Ken Stabler was criticized for many of the Raiders' problems a year ago. If the Snake can improve his performances and the Raiders can get better production from their running backs, they should make post-season play.

The Seahawks soared last year in Seattle, mostly because of talented quarterback Jim Zorn. This three-year-old expansion team is now reaping the benefits of its draft-defense policy early on and also could earn its first ever wild card bid.

Denver had serious problems at quarterback a year ago, though they still managed to win the division. Craig Morton has clearly gone over the hill, though Norris Weese hardly seems the answer at quarterback. Denver still has excellent defense, however, and will be a legitimate contender.

The same cannot be said for a young, rebuilding Kansas City team. Still, the Chiefs had the second-best rushing offense in the league thanks to Tony Reed's 1,053 yards and with a little improvement on defense, they could win seven games.

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Baltimore Colts

S. 2 at Kansas City-3:00
S. 9 TAMPA BAY-2:00
S. 16 at Cleveland-1:00
S. 23 at Pittsburgh-1:00
S. 30 BUFFALO-2:00
O. 7 NEW YORK JETS-4:00
O. 14 HOUSTON-2:00
O. 21 at Buffalo-1:00
O. 28 NEW ENGLAND-2:00
N. 4 CINCINNATI-2:00
N. 11 at Miami-1:00
N. 18 at New England-1:00
N. 25 MIAMI-4:00
D. 2 at New York Jets-1:00
D. 9 KANSAS CITY-2:00
D. 16 at New York Giants-1:00

Buffalo Bills

S. 2 MIAMI-1:00
S. 9 CINCINNATI-1:00
S. 16 at San Diego-1:00
S. 23 NEW YORK JETS-1:00
S. 30 at Baltimore-2:00
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N. 18 GREEN BAY-1:00
N. 25 at New England-1:00
D. 2 DENVER-1:00
D. 9 at Minnesota-1:00
D. 16 at Pittsburgh-1:00

Miami Dolphins

S. 2 at Buffalo-1:00
S. 9 SEATTLE-4:00
S. 16 at Minnesota-1:00
S. 23 CHICAGO-4:00
S. 30 at New York Jets-1:00
O. 8 at Oakland (Mon.)-6:00
O. 14 BUFFALO-1:00
O. 21 at New England-1:00
O. 28 GREEN BAY-4:00
N. 5 HOUSTON (Mon.)-9:00
N. 11 BALTIMORE-1:00
N. 18 at Cleveland-1:00
N. 25 at Baltimore-4:00
N. 29 NEW ENGLAND (Thurs.)-8:30
D. 9 at Detroit-1:00
D. 15 NEW YORK JETS (Sat.)-12:30

New England Patriots

S. 3 PITTSBURGH (Mon.)-9:00
S. 9 NEW YORK JETS-4:00
S. 16 at Cincinnati-1:00
S. 23 SAN DIEGO-1:00
O. 1 at Green Bay (Mon.)-8:00
O. 7 DETROIT-1:00
O. 14 at Chicago-1:00
O. 21 MIAMI-1:00
O. 28 at Baltimore-2:00
N. 4 at Buffalo-1:00
N. 11 at Denver-2:00
N. 18 BALTIMORE-1:00
N. 25 BUFFALO-1:00
N. 29 at Miami (Thurs.)-8:30
D. 9 at New York Jets-4:00
D. 16 MINNESOTA-1:00

New York Jets

S. 2 CLEVELAND-4:00
S. 9 at New England-4:00
S. 16 DETROIT-1:00
S. 23 at Buffalo-1:00
S. 30 MIAMI-1:00
O. 7 at Baltimore-4:00
O. 15 MINNESOTA (Mon.)-9:00
O. 21 OAKLAND-1:00
O. 28 at Houston-12:00
N. 4 at Green Bay-3:00
N. 11 BUFFALO-1:00
N. 18 at Chicago-12:00
N. 26 at Seattle (Mon.)-6:00
D. 2 BALTIMORE-1:00
D. 9 NEW ENGLAND-4:00
D. 15 at Miami (Sat.)-12:30

Cincinnati Bengals

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S. 9 at Buffalo-1:00
S. 16 NEW ENGLAND-1:00
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Cleveland Browns

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Houston Oilers

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N. 22 at Dallas (Thurs.)-3:00
D. 2 at Cleveland-1:00
D. 10 PITTSBURGH (Mon.)-8:00
D. 16 PHILADELPHIA-3:00

Pittsburgh Steelers

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Denver Broncos

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Kansas City Chiefs

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Oakland Raiders

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San Diego Chargers

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Seattle Seahawks

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New York Giants

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N. 18 at Tampa Bay-4:00
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D. 9 at St. Louis-12:00
D. 16 BALTIMORE-1:00

Philadelphia Eagles

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St. Louis Cardinals

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Washington Redskins

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Chicago Bears

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N. 22 at Detroit (Thurs.)-12:30
D. 2 at Tampa Bay-1:00
D. 9 at Green Bay-12:00
D. 16 ST. LOUIS-1:00

Detroit Lions

S. 1 at Tampa Bay (Sat.)-8:00
S. 9 WASHINGTON-1:00
S. 16 at New York Jets-1:00
S. 23 ATLANTA-1:00
S. 30 MINNESOTA-1:00
O. 7 at New England-1:00
O. 14 vs. Green Bay (Milw.)-3:00
O. 21 at New Orleans-1:00
O. 28 BUFFALO-1:00
N. 4 at Chicago-3:00
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N. 22 CHICAGO (Thurs.)-12:30
D. 2 at Philadelphia-1:00
D. 9 MIAMI-1:00
D. 15 GREEN BAY (Sat.)-4:00

Green Bay Packers

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Minnesota Vikings

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D. 16 at New England-1:00

Tampa Bay Buccaneers

S. 1 DETROIT (Sat.)-8:00
S. 9 at Baltimore-2:00
S. 16 at Green Bay-1:00
S. 23 LOS ANGELES-4:00
S. 30 at Chicago-1:00
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Atlanta Falcons

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Los Angeles Rams

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New Orleans Saints

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D. 9 SAN DIEGO-3:00
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What Is Football?

What is football? It's a wild and wonderful combination of intelligence, dumbness, speed, agility and a large helping of violence.

It is a rugged game, almost brutal, for men only. Every weekend it might demand a fresh blood sacrifice. It is gallantry personified, the closest thing to gladiatorial combat that a supposedly merciful society permits. It is mock warfare, stern, and awful, yet strangely stimulating. Its mystique is largely muscular but it's appeal can be intellectual.

Outsiders may be thrilled by the spectacle of football but non-combatants will never fully know what the game really means to those who risk their bones to play it. Only a participant can understand its true nature. Only a man who has left a little of himself on the field can love football with a religious passion.

Football thrives on heroism. It glorifies manliness. It also has a shameless tendency to deify those brave fools who leave hospital beds and go to war with wired jaws and arms in casts. Broken noses and scarred knees are its military decorations.

Football openly scorns weaklings. It has a code of honor that would make a Spartan wince. It demands these things and then becomes offended when someone classifies its participants as "animals".

For all its bravado, football is at the mercy of the infidels . . . high school boards and college alumni and promoters who manipulate multi-million dollar enterprises. It is a captive of its own ability to turn the masses into yowling drooly-jawed wolves.

Football is not a game where losing is tolerated, for even a second. It is a game of oaths and slogans and battle

cries. The emphasis is always on winning, regardless of the naive poems about "playing the game". The coach who strings victories together as a diamond necklace is coddled like an Oriental despot. It is the way the code operates. Everyone understands that stragglers are shot.

What is football?

How you regard it depends pretty much on where you live. Along the Eastern seaboard, football is more or less a cultural exercise. In the Midwest, it is a form of cannibalism. On the West Coast, it is a stimulant for tourism. In the Southwest, it is a community project. In the Southeast, football is a religion and Saturday is a holy day of obligation.

Football cannot be played just any time of year, in any surroundings. The game is the focal point of a larger universe. It creates its own atmosphere. It mass-produces nostalgia.

There must be a crowded stadium with cart-wheeling cheerleaders shouting inanities through megaphones. The tribal totems, the mascots, the drill teams must be present. It is essential that fetching co-eds be present in droves and next to every pretty pink cheek there must be a chrysanthemum corsage. Their dates must laugh loudly, talk continuously of strategy and carry a container of strong spirits. A band must be booming.

Football is not an original game. It was put together of equal parts soccer, rugby and genuine American spirit. It has absolutely no hold on foreigners. Even Canadians, who ought to understand us and our games if anyone in the world should, don't think we play football with enough men. To the English, it is a dreadful bore, too many time-outs, not enough continuous action, don't you know, old chap.

Football is a game that insists a quarterback be not only a great athlete but a genius as well. Football attempts to convince the dean of academics that it is at least as complex as nuclear physics but when it is third down and short yardage, science takes a terrible flogging on the field.

What is football? It is a shocking upset now and then. It is Chicken Little rising in a mighty wrath and blowing Moose Jaw U. out of the Top 10. It is some skinny sophomore who wants to play making a second-stringer of last year's All-American who thought he had it made.

Sometimes football is still a snake dance in the street and a crackling November bonfire at a pep rally, the last stand of 1920-vintage razz-a-mataz. It is sometimes a bloody nose, a maternal tear and a block letter on the pocket of a white sweater.

Football to a street-sweeper's son is the only opportunity to study chemistry free of charge. It is a passport out of the ghetto. It is a beautiful equalizer where the rich man's boy must put on the same pads and hit the same lick as the kid off the farm with just one pair of shoes.

What is football? It's a 12-year professional, just retired, showing a sports-writer the place where his right knee bones used to be. It is foul weather on the last weekend and season-ticket holders huddled together, insanely risking their health to see that sophomore halfback break the school rushing record. And football is a big lug of a left tackle croaking the Alma Mater on graduation day with tears leaking down his beefy, battered cheeks, already worrying about how he'll feel next season when he has to wear wing-tips instead of cleats. **END**

(A Visit With Frank Broyles continued)

Your first bowl is a great memory, like your first unbeaten season. It's strange how a coach can replay the big games he lost down by down, but can't remember the games he won, or how pleased he was.

But we handed Coach Dodd his first bowl loss in the Gator Bowl after the '59 season. After the '64 season we were trailing Nebraska, 7-3, and stopped them close to our goal in the fourth quarter when a touchdown would have clinched the game for them. Freddy Marshall (quarterback) took us 80 yards with less than a minute to play, and that won the national championship for us.

Aside from that game our most prestigious bowl victory was over Georgia in the 1969 Sugar Bowl. Chuck Dicus caught 12 passes against their All-American defensive back, Jake Scott. (Arkansas won 16-2.)

Everyone remembers the Big Shoot-out. (Texas won 15-14 for the 1969 national championship). It was a classic game, and I don't look back on it as a disappointment.

The *lowest* I ever felt was when Texas beat us, 7-3, in 1962. We were No. 2 in the nation, and if we had won it would have been four straight championships. (Texas recovered Danny Brabham's fumble on the UT goal, won on a long drive.)

I wonder what might have happened if Jon Brittenum hadn't been hurt when we played LSU in the Cotton Bowl after we had won 22 straight games. Well, we would've been 1965 national champs, but LSU beat us.

The 1964 and 1965 seasons had to be highlights. We won those 22 games in a row. But if I had my coaching to do again I'd change one thing: I'd be tougher on myself and the players. The sad part of losing to LSU (14-7) was I got so wrapped up in our excellence, thinking we couldn't lose, that I didn't prepare the team as well as I might have. They needed my leadership—to scare 'em a little and bring 'em down to earth. Enthusiasm has been a strong point of my personality. I have to watch myself about getting carried away.

Our success began in the early '60's when we started recruiting a few top out-of-state players to complement the ones from Arkansas. Boys like Jerry Lamb and Ronnie Caveness of Houston.

At the time we were so good, we were redshirting players, giving them an extra year of maturity. In '64 and '65 we only had a few sophs starting, and they probably were redshirts. When the NCAA cut back on the numbers, it hurt. Integration gave us a chance to get quality athletes, but it was hard to attract black players because we hadn't had any.



Frank Broyles coached Arkansas to 19 years of football glory.

We had gone to Bo Schembechler's clinic and were on the plane coming back. We had never talked about our games. Darrell turned to me and said, "It's all behind us now—but were you picking up our signals from the bench in the '71 game?" (Arkansas won 31-7.)

We were the new kid on the block when I came here. But we got a chance to show the nation we played great football. The 1969 Texas game was voted the game of the half-century. The '65 Texas game (Arkansas won 27-24) was in the top ten.

That indicated the interest in the series on a national level. That's part of my contribution.

(Editor's note: Through 19 seasons of rivalry, Broyles and Royal never mentioned football on a golf course. Then, after both retired in 1976, they went to a coaching clinic in Michigan together. Broyles tells how the impasse was broken.)

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I told him, "That's the first time you ever asked me anything about a game." And I asked him if he was intercepting our signals in the '62 game (Texas won 7-3.) Then we started talking coaching strategy.

(So Royal's history-making question was never answered. He thinks he knows the answer.)

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One of Darrell's Royal's strong points that he "Never went bear-huntin' with a switch." In other words, the wise coach recruited awfully good players...like Earl Campbell (above).

(A Visit With Darrell Royal continued)

his grades, but he was so dedicated I knew he'd do it. And you couldn't make Earl cut a class.

Speaking of players, I remember telling a kid that in my opinion he'd never play for Texas, but that he could stay out and keep his scholarship. I told him he'd have to be dedicated—holding dummies and putting on the other team's attack. He said he

needed the scholarship to get a geology degree. He told me I was wrong, that he would play. His name was Jim Bob Moffett, and he started the 1960 Bluebonnet Bowl at tackle against Alabama. Now he's head of an exploration company in New Orleans.

Roosevelt Leaks was the first black superstar we had. Rosie broke a lot of ice for us. He wasn't the first black. That was

Julius Whittier, a tight end. He's in law school now.

Earl Campbell ('77 Heisman Trophy winner), James Saxton ('61 All-American) and Chris Gilbert ('68 All-American) were our three outstanding runners. Earl was big, powerful, faster than anyone realized, and he had the most devastating stiffarm I ever saw.

Frank and I never talked football on the golf course. Never. Until we quit coaching and went to Bo Schembechler's clinic in Michigan. That was my last one of those—ever.

Saxton didn't have much endurance. A two-yard run might wear him out, the way he did it, but it excited you any time he touched the ball. Gilbert was a true ball-carrier. You could hand it to him all day. He was like a cat, always on his feet when he landed. He was the only boy I ever saw who could get traction in mid-air.

We've had some fine quarterbacks. Duke Carlisle, Johnny Genung, Alan Lowry, Eddie Phillips, Marty Akins and James Street—all great quarterbacks. They were tough as blacksmiths. Slap them and they'd come back at you. Donnie Wigginton did a helluva pinch-hit job when Phillips was hurt.

No, I never thought the outcome of games at Arkansas were influenced by fans. I got my gameface on good for the Hogs, but after the game I saw things differently. When I got ready for Arkansas, I was like the players. We were p----- off, and we stayed that way until the game was over. It's just a frame of mind. You know, the leaves up there turn earlier in the fall. We'd be on the bus and I'd notice the leaves, or see a Hog bumper sticker, and get p----- off. I had on my gameface. But win or lose, I didn't feel that way after the game.

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I said, "Frank, it's all over, but did you SOB's have our defensive signals at Little Rock? Every time we called a blitz, Brittenum'd dump a little ol' release pass."

Frank just grinned. I took that as "yes". Then he started asking me questions, and I asked him some. That was the first time we ever did that. **END**

COULD A SHADOW SHED LIGHT ON THEIR SECRET?



The door creaked a cautious welcome as they pushed it open. Their eyes scanned the sparse office, locked on mine, then darted to the darkened hall. Who were they? Why were they here?

Two things I knew for sure. First, they were being followed. And, second, they had real class. Lots of it. Just the cut of their clothes said style and elegance. The fabric said taste.

Questions buzzed in my mind like hornets. But, in this business it's money first. So I told 'em my fee and took a swig of cold coffee. They went for their wallets and suddenly, the pieces fit. I caught a glimpse of a familiar label inside their coats, and knew why they were followed. There ain't a dame around who can pass up the great looks of Haggar Imperial slacks and sport coats.

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CHICKADEE PEAHEN —

Always arrives in brilliant colors in the presence of male bird . . . loves to strut in front of the stands . . . never watches the game and doesn't care whose playing . . . once flew off for the weekend with a St. Louis Cardinal, but now hangs around with a bond-daddy bird . . . wouldn't know the school fight song, but has every Barbara Streisand album . . . loves the smell of fresh money . . . can readily be identified by jumpsuit stuffed into brown boots covering webbed feet.

WHITE-BREADED NUTHATCH —

Chickadee Peaheh's roommate whose sunlamp is broken.

PARENTAL CANARIES —

Always singing about their son playing third-string defensive tackle . . . proud birds . . . "We raised him from birth," they sing to everyone around . . . Personally met the coach . . . Athletic department considers them ALBATROSSES. **END**

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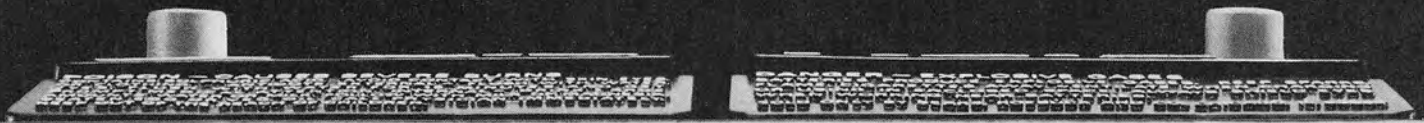
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**WHAT ELSE
IS THERE
TO SAY?**



DieHard

(Dear Old Siwash continued)

and Potomac State of its Catamounts.

For instance, the football team of Colby College in Waterville, Maine, is tagged the **White Mules**. A 1923 *Colby Echo* editorial asserted that the football team should no longer be considered a dark horse. So in contrast to dark horse, the white mule was adopted. The mascot was named "Ybloc"—Colby in reverse. But Ybloc wasn't always a mule. Once an animal trainer who didn't know where to send a retired stage donkey gave his performing pet to Colby. It wasn't long before that poor Ybloc lost his job, because it seems some Colby supporters didn't enjoy being represented by a jackass, albeit trained. The custom of having good ol' Ybloc on the sidelines at home games ceased about ten years ago, according to publicist Peter Kingsley. The last Ybloc misbehaved at a homecoming ceremony and that led to his unconditional release. Ybloc, apparently tired of oats, grass and the usual mule fare, bit the homecoming queen's mother on the arm. Colby is Ybloc-less now.

Williams, Colby's neighbor to the south in Williamstown, Mass., not only bears a unique nickname, the Ephmen (honoring Colonel Ephraim Williams, who died in the French and Indian War), but also a rather rare mascot—the purple cow. The doggerel says of the beast, "I'd rather see than be one." However, ever since Coach O'Dell achieved a 43-12-1 record there in his first seven seasons, the Ephmen would not agree.

Although some persnickety football fans insist that big-bucks operations are the only ones worth watching, small college games can be a refreshing change. Probably the small college's greatest hour came in October 1921, when Centre College of Kentucky upended mighty Harvard, 6-0—the Crimson's first loss in six years. The Praying Colonels, so labeled because they invoked the Almighty before each contest, then represented 254 students. And the University of the South, Sewanee, coached by Johnny Majors' father Shirley, is best remembered in football legendry for pulverizing its 12 opponents, 311 points to 10, in 1889. In a five-game swing through the Southwest, the Tigers toppled Texas, Texas A & M, Tulane, Louisiana State, and Ole Miss within six days, using only 15 of their players to blank all five opponents. Before the road trip, the Iron Men from the hills of East Tennessee had opened their season defeating Georgia (12-0), Georgia Tech (32-0), Tennessee (46-0), and Southwestern (54-0). They ended their year by smashing Cumberland, 71-0, and edging Auburn, 11-10, and North Carolina, 5-0.

Admittedly, no small college team—or,

for that matter, any team from a college of whatever size—is ever again likely to be so successful. All the same, football small college-style is most certainly well worth watching. The easy-going informality and the homey familiarity between coaches and players—and the fans as well—make many games sort of a cross between a boisterous family reunion and a rambunctious field day.

At Franklin, Faught treated his players to an ice cream social after the long series of pre-season two-a-day drills last year. "It sounds kinda corny, doesn't it?" said Faught. "But I told 'em, 'We're gonna have an old-fashioned ice cream social. No talkin' football.' When they know a coach has other interests, they see him as another human being." The resourceful Faught uses another method that keeps his program the educational but informal experience he intends for it to be. "I don't require my players to watch the game films," he told. "They wouldn't know what they're looking for, and they'd probably see only the good plays. Besides," reckons Faught, "they might get to liking it—like they were at the regular movies."

Byron P. Roberts, a former *Washington Post* sportswriter who covered such football "biggies" as the Washington Redskins, Navy, and Maryland, is now a confirmed believer in small college football. "I saw a game at Johns Hopkins and thought, 'My God, here they are playing without any scholarships and having a wonderful time!'"

Johns Hopkins, renowned especially for its great medical school (whose school colors, incidentally, are black and blue), is lacrosse crazy. Football takes the rumble seat there. In fact, Roberts said a gentleman sitting next to him hoped out loud that quarterback Jack Thompson (lacrosse All-American) "doesn't get hurt and ruin the lacrosse season." Roberts loved it.

Another Saturday afternoon Roberts watched an unusual display at a Blue Jay football game. "Hopkins was playing cross-town rival Towson State. The Hopkins cross country race had begun ten minutes before the football game. The runners started with a lap around the track at the stadium," Roberts remembered. "A few minutes later, Hopkins was in the middle of a drive. Inside the 10. All of a sudden," recalled the flabbergasted Roberts, "the cross-country runners burst back into the stadium for their final leg of the race, and the quarterback called time out. He ran over to cheer on the Hopkins harrier who was battling a Towson runner, stride for stride, down the stretch." After the race was over, Hopkins continued its drive, and

Roberts was firmly impressed.

On yet another occasion Roberts saw a student wildly rooting for a Hopkins halfback who was heading for a touchdown. After the score, Roberts turned to the fan and asked, "Is he a friend of yours?" Replied the proud young man, "Sure! He's my French tutor!" Well, by now, Roberts was downright giddy over the Johns Hopkins program.

He liked the Blue Jays so much he traveled to Philadelphia for the Hopkins-Swarthmore game. It happened to be the same Saturday thousands of others were converging on Philadelphia for the Navy-Notre Dame clash. "On the return trip," Roberts recalled, "the train was chock-a-block with roistering Notre Dame fans. A man asked me how I liked the game. I explained that I had liked it a lot but I thought Hopkins could've scored again. He asked who Hopkins played for. I explained, again, that *Johns* Hopkins was a team and had just beaten Swarthmore, and wasn't that the game he meant. He finally put it together and yelled to a friend, 'Com'ere, Charlie...I've got a live one for you! Here's a guy who went all the way to Philadelphia to watch Johns Hopkins play...who's the other team?...oh yeah, Johns Hopkins play *Swarthmore!* Hey, Charlie!'"

Then there was the time that all Roberts had was a \$20 bill. When he presented it to the ticket-seller at a Johns Hopkins game, the young man said he didn't have change. Roberts was startled again when the student said, "That's okay. You come to all the games, so you can pay me back later."

What really impressed Roberts was the civility with which the Blue Jays play football. "After a game with Western Maryland, which has a 65-year rivalry with Hopkins, I noticed a big guard from Hopkins shaking hands with a big tackle from Western. Later I said to the guard, 'That was a nice gesture,' He answered, 'I've played across from that guy for four years now. I know what classes he takes. He knows what courses I have. We wished each other good luck for the future.'"

Rose-Hulman's Mutchner summed it up. "You see the same things at our games you see at the big schools' games. You see a lot of bad passes, fumbles, and interceptions. We have the same thing everybody else has...but we don't have a parking problem."

"You see a lot of double reverses, triple reverses, end-arounds, Statue-of-Liberty plays, fake punts, and laterals. Also errors, missed tackles, wobbly passes, and 20-yard punts. But what the heck—it's fun. And you don't have to wait in line for hot dogs." **END**

KANSAS

Pepper Rodgers, hosting a reception for an old friend, offered a toast. "In the history of the world, two men have been resurrected," the Georgia Tech coach began. "One was Jesus Christ; the other is Don Fambrough."

Fambrough's "resurrection" took place two weeks after the University of Kansas ended one of the worst seasons in its 90-year history, two weeks after Bud Moore had been fired as head coach, two weeks after Fambrough had been named a member of the search committee to find a replacement for Moore.

Numerous names were bandied about as candidates. The name of Don Fambrough wasn't one of them.

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Kansas Athletic Director Bob Marcum didn't consider Fambrough a candidate, either. At least, not at first. But slowly that changed.

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As a matter of fact, Fambrough was just a few steps from Marcum's office, serving as assistant director of the Williams' Educational Fund. The job was fund raising, but in reality it was a morsel tossed Fambrough after he resigned as KU's head coach in 1974 when former Athletic Director Clyde Walker wouldn't recommend a contract extension.

The resignation terminated a 23-year affair between Fambrough and the Jayhawk football program. A devoted assistant for 19 years, he got his shot at head coach in 1971 when Rodgers departed for UCLA. Under Fambrough's guidance, the Jayhawks earned a Liberty Bowl trip (in 1973), but his four-year record was a lackluster 19-25-1.

Fambrough had given it his best shot, and, he figured, his last one. Four years later Marcum had other ideas.

"I looked at what he had to work with four years ago, and I got to thinking if he could get that far with what he had to work with then, what could he do in 1979?" said Marcum.

Marcum had no trouble convincing Chancellor Archie Dykes. Fambrough was another matter.

"I told him 'you've got to be kidding,' and got up and walked out," Fambrough said.

Marcum wasn't kidding, and a few days later the Jayhawk AD was introducing Don Fambrough as KU's new head coach. It was a popular choice.

John Hadl, the former Jayhawk and NFL great and a man who wanted the head coaching job, said it best. "When it's Don Fambrough, you can't help but be excited," said Hadl, who quickly accepted Fambrough's offer to become offensive co-ordinator.

"There's no question it was the thing to do," Hadl continued. "It's a good situation. The players are happy and I know I'm happy. Everybody is overjoyed."

Well, almost everybody. There had been considerable support for Hadl, and even his appointment to the staff failed to satisfy many of those backers. Others wanted a head coach with an established winning record.

"You always have pluses and minuses," pointed out Marcum, "but so far it's been a very popular decision."

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Flying high! This Jayhawk soars to make a grab against Oklahoma.



(Kansas continued)

It's hard not to like Fambrough, a 56-year-old native of Longview, Texas. The media likes him because he's one of the last of the "good-ol'-boys." His players like him because he isn't a drill sergeant. In fact, some of the criticism leveled at him four years ago was that he wasn't tough.

"Maybe I am a little more tolerant than some others," Fambrough said. "But I feel part of my job is to help the young men that come under me. If I feel I can help them by going a little bit farther with them than

some would, I will."

Fambrough's close relationship with his players will continue. Unlike many, the Jayhawk coach refuses to go along with the commonly espoused notion that today's athletes are spoiled and reject authority.

His reply? "I don't believe that. There has to be a reason for them to do something. If it's unreasonable, you might have a problem. But if you can convince them it's to their benefit and the benefit of the

football team, you'll be okay."

The Jayhawk players are eager for some understanding. Most of them felt they didn't get it from Moore, and few tears were shed when the Bear's protégé was fired.

Tears or no tears, everyone suffered through the long fall of 1978 at Kansas. How bad was it? How bad can a 1-10 year be? Consider:

—The Jayhawks were last in the Big Eight in total offense, total defense, scoring and scoring defense.

Jayhawks sandwich a Nebraska back. The Cornhuskers weren't



—Mike Higgins, the leading rusher, gained 270 yards during the season.

—Kicker Mike Hubach, the leading scorer, had 22 points.

—Backs averaged 2.6 yards per carry.

—They lost their last eight games, including one-sided battles to traditional rivals Missouri and Kansas State.

—Injuries so depleted the squad that Franklin King ended up the season going both ways, playing offensive guard and defensive tackle . . . and he was the best

KU had at either position.

—And, the head coach was dumped.

Into that murky situation steps Fambrough, not exactly unfamiliar with struggling football programs. "I've been here before," he said. "We were down in 1971 but managed to get it turned around. Hopefully, we can do it again."

The second time around will be even better, Fambrough thinks. "I learned a lot the last time. I know I made some mistakes, but I feel I'm better qualified now

than I was eight years ago. I feel this time I know how to be a head coach."

He also feels the Jayhawks, despite all their 1978 woes, aren't far from becoming a solid team. "You take a team that loses by one point to Oklahoma and beats UCLA, and you've got to figure there's some talent there," he says.

How much, and how fast he can put it together, Fambrough doesn't know. "We're very determined to build a winner and build it quickly, but we have not burdened
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sandwiched too often, however, as the Big Red rolled to a 63-21 win.



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wonderful.



90 PROOF, 7 YEAR OLD, KENTUCKY STRAIGHT BOURBON WHISKEY.

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"We've got some big, strong receivers," Fambrough said. "I'm excited about them."

ourselves with any kind of a timetable."

Instead, his first priority is getting the Jayhawks to believe in themselves. He was impressed with their attitudes during spring ball. Impressed and to a certain degree surprised.

"They didn't have a defeatist attitude," he said. "They think they can win."

Whether they are capable of playing well enough to win is something else. Granted, the staggering injury toll ruined any possible chances of success a year ago, but there were noticeable talent deficiencies in key areas.

The biggest, and most obvious, was a running back. The Jayhawks tried nine different players, none with much success. To remedy that, Fambrough's first move during the spring was switching quarterback Harry Sydney to running back.

Sydney, a 6-0, 210-pound, junior, led KU in passing last season with 605 yards, but what he did best was run. He gained 100 yards on the ground in the narrow loss to Oklahoma.

Fambrough had no hesitation moving Sydney because of a guy named Kevin Clinton, expected to be the triggerman in KU's new pass-minded offense. Clinton, a sophomore, came on strong late in the year and finished with 435 passing yards.

Dejà vu played a role in Fambrough's decision to go with Clinton. "He reminds me so much of Jaynes," the coach said, referring to former KU All-American David Jaynes, the quarterback who guided Fambrough's team to the Liberty Bowl.

Three other quarterbacks with starting experience are on hand should Clinton's strong arm turn erratic. The most likely backup is senior Brian Bethke, a hardship last year with a back injury. Junior Jeff Hines and soph redshirt Steve Smith also have run the team.

One of the reasons Fambrough is counting on a potent passing game is his group of receivers. "We've got some big, strong receivers," Fambrough said. "I'm excited about them."

Sophomore Kevin Murphy led the team with 20 catches last year, and his old Kansas City-Sumner High School teammate David Verser, a junior, was next with 15. Both can fly. So can Lester Mickens and Jimmy Little, a pair of Jayhawk track stars, who caught 16 passes between them in 1978.

The top two tight ends—Kirby Criswell and Lloyd Sobek — return, but don't be

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Harry Sydney rolls out to pass. Coach Fambrough is impressed with the Kansas receiving corps.



The two men stood together in the middle of the lobby of a Palo Alto, Calif. hotel, each dressed in various shades and pieces of crimson and cream clothing—the University of Oklahoma assistant coach and the ardent alum. It was almost time for the Sooners' opening game of the 1978 season against Stanford. The pair football-talked and girl-watched, until Daryl Hunt and George Cumby, Oklahoma's two All-American linebackers, lumbered by.

A 6-4, 220-pound, middle linebacker is an awful specter, and in seven games Corker made 130 tackles (fourth highest in all the conference) to give him 383 in only three seasons at OSU—already a school record. And at the end of the year he got to meet Bob Hope.

"Boy, how far would you have to go to find better linebackers than them?" the alum gushed, posing what he was sure was a question without an answer.

The Oklahoma assistant hardly hesitated. "Well," he said, "you go about 70 miles up the road back home to Stillwater, and they have a linebacker there named Corker who runs like a deer and hits like a Mack truck."

With the football season only a matter of weeks away in Stillwater, John Corker didn't know for sure whether he would even be playing for Oklahoma State in '78. The Cowboy press guide was out and the only mention of the young star was "...the big question is whether John Corker will get out of the disciplinary doghouse to play this season." There had been some trouble the spring before, and Big John had got on the wrong side of Head Coach Jim Stanley, not to mention a few other folks.

Finally, he played. Lordie, did he play. It was the rest of the Oklahoma State team that acted like it had taken the year off.

Corker—not Hunt or Cumby—was voted Big Eight Defensive Player-of-the-Year by both wire services, despite the fact he didn't play in the last three Cowboys games and most of another, when he ripped the ligaments of his left knee away from the bone in the second series of the Nebraska game. A 6-4, 220-pound, middle linebacker is an awful specter, and in seven games Corker made 130 tackles (fourth highest in all the conference) to give him 383 in only three seasons at OSU—already a school record. And at the end of the year he got to meet Bob Hope.

"One of my goals at the beginning of the season, when I found out I was going to play, was to meet Bob Hope," said Corker, of the comedian who each year hosts a television variety show showing off the top college football players in the country.

"To do that," he continued, "I had to be an All-American."

Three years ago, when he was introduced to the Big Eight as a tough-looking kid from Miami, Fla., and was hailed as "newcomer-of-the-year", there were people who thought it possible. But he was going to need help.

"I have an older brother, Clarence Corker, Jr., who was a highly-recruited ballplayer," said Corker. "I was like his clone. He taught me a lot of things. He went to the University of Miami, we only lived just two blocks down the street. I always wanted him to do good things, but he just didn't get the breaks I did. It just didn't work out for him. Now he's in the Navy.

"So when I came in as a freshman I knew I had four strokes on the clock—the years I'd be in school," he explained. "The first two years were up-strokes, I was trying to get things together, to learn how things were. The trouble my sophomore year...I guess that was part of it; I didn't have it all together yet.

"But last year was a down-stroke, and this year I'm going to make sure everything goes right. I've grown up a lot. I'm a senior now. I understand

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Ed Smith roars outside for a big gain as the Cowboys beat Colorado, 24-20.

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now that some things aren't going to change and I'm going to have to deal with them the way they are."

One of the hardest things he has had to deal with is his injury. It could have been worse, the ligaments were not torn. But a year or two ago a mishap like it might have ruined him, and not just as a football player.

"After it happened I was really disgusted," admitted Corker. "But I thought it over and I said to myself, 'It's part of the game.' It was one of those freak plays.

"It was a sweep to I.M. Hipp with the guard pulling out on me. I remember the pursuit angle I took and playing off the guard, but I was a little off balance. I made the tackle, but one of our other defensive players was coming over to help out and he fell on my knee.

"It's doing all right now. I didn't have much contact in the spring and I'll keep

working on it at home in the summer to make sure it's 100 per cent this season.

"Last year was a good feeling. The latter part of the season I was thinking if I could just keep up the pace it would be real good for me, because here I was doing just about everything right. I didn't think anything could get in my way. Then, to get cut down like that. . . .

"But now I'm looking forward to things, and it seems like a lot of people are looking forward to good things for me, too. I know I'm ready to put forth whatever effort it's going to take."

The players call Corker "Bird," for no reason anybody is sure of. One member of the Oklahoma State athletic department offered the opinion, "he's so big for a linebacker, and when he gets going out there his arms start pumping." Then again, the nickname could be the same given to the over-sized Sesame Street

television character—"Big Bird."

"He looks better in a uniform than any other player I've seen," Kansas State Coach Jim Dickey said of Corker last year.

But even more threatening than his sheer size is the way the 20-year-old uses it. In his three seasons in Stillwater, Corker has five interceptions; has broken up 16 more passes; and has caused 11 fumbles and considerable havoc.

Paul Jette, Oklahoma State's new linebacker coach in first-year Head Coach Jim Johnson's system, was an assistant at Texas last season when he first saw John Corker.

"We were getting ready to play North Texas State and OSU had already played them and we had the films," recalled Jette. "We were looking at North Texas' offense but our whole staff was impressed with John. We really didn't know who he was, but we knew he was a football player.

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✦ Oklahoma State defenders are notorious gang tacklers.

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"When Coach Johnson brought me here I finally sat down and looked at films of John. I knew he was a good football player and that he had the size to be a hell of a football player. But I didn't realize just how good he already was until I looked at that film. He's the kind of player," said Jette, "who can be as good as he wants to be."

"Corker is as good as half the linebackers in the NFL right now," is the way one pro scout has put it.

John said he's really never sat down and thought about it. All he's ever intended is that opposing running backs know and believe one thing: "That I'm going to be there every time. I don't want a guy coming out half-stepping."

"In a sense, I guess I'm aggressive. I don't know. I get a lot of it from my brother, Clarence. He was a linebacker, too, 6-3 and about 230 pounds. He was the same kind of player—loose, a free-type. He always liked to be around the ball. Some things I think you can learn from coaching, but the majority of it is the ability that's given to you."

Last year's Oklahoma State team was thought to have as much pure ability as any team in the Big Eight. "If you went up and down their starting lineups," one conference official commented after the season, "they were awesome. But they had nothing behind them."

Stanley and the university were caught up in an NCAA investigation of a secret slush fund even as the season began. Things went downhill from there. The Cowboys lost their first five games, Wichita State and North Texas State among them. The raw talent showed itself as the team won three of its next four—over



Curtis Boone and John Odum attack Missouri. The Cowboys won, 35-20.

Colorado, Kansas and Missouri—but that was all the winning Oklahoma State did and the season ended at 3-8. Now Johnson, who has spent the last eight seasons at Oklahoma, Arkansas and Pittsburgh, has his first job as a college head coach, and he is one of four new head coaches in the Big Eight. Only two of the present head coaches—Oklahoma's Barry Switzer and Nebraska's Tom Osborne—were at their schools two years ago.

Oklahoma State has essentially the same schedule it had a year ago, with a crack at North Texas, Wichita and Arkansas again in the early going, plus South Carolina which replaced Florida State. And what the squad lost in talent due to graduation, Johnson should make up with

depth the team didn't have in 1978, especially on defense.

Seven starters return, including the entire front wall of Curtis Boone (6-2, 241), Billy Wells (6-2, 250), Jerry Winchester (6-5, 243) and Roger Taylor (6-7, 226) and two linebackers, Corker and Rick Antle, another hitter with 115 tackles last season. And that doesn't include 6-1, 220-pound, Ricky Young, who filled in so well as a freshman last year when Corker was hurt. The one weak spot is in the secondary, where only junior Greg Johnson has experience as a starter. But this is where Coach Johnson may have an advantage over Stanley last year; four other defensive backs are returning second-stringers. The entire backup unit, except for one lineman, returns.

The same goes for the offense; only two second-team players from a year ago won't be back. But both the No. 1 and 2 quarterbacks are gone, and that is unquestionably Johnson's biggest question. The defense held its own last year, but the offense was last in total offense in the Big Eight (272 yards per game). Plus, the new head coach plans to run a pass-oriented, multiple set attack.

All that can be said for the quarterback spot is that it will probably go to either senior Harold Bailey, who passed for 148 yards in '78 before he was moved to defensive back, then split end; or Arkansas transfer Houston Nutt; or reserve John Doerner. The running backs are also undecided, but for quite another reason; six backs accounted for 90 per cent of the Cowboys' rushing yards last year and they all are back. The starters at the end of the season, Worley Taylor (6-0, 196) and Ed Smith (6-0, 193) are both juniors. Taylor

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Vince Orange (48) gets set to ramble for big yardage.



College Heroes and Future Pros

by Marvin West

Scouts are scouting, computers are computing and player personnel directors are doing whatever they do . . . tea leaves, ouija board, the coming and going of tides.

Somewhere in America is next May's No. 1 draft pick for the National Football League. Everybody is looking. Don't laugh. The Steelers might want to make a trade.

Two years before the 1978 player selection, the bird dogs were calling that forthcoming lottery the Campbell Sweepstakes. They knew the team that stumbled the most in '77 would win in the end. Earl Campbell of Texas was a franchise pump . . . as in pump-up and make fly.

Some years the Ricky Bells and Tony Dorsetts are obvious, so spectacular that fans in the street can pick 'em and you can unplug the computer. Other years, there is great debate. Is LeRoy Selmon big enough or just the beneficiary of super surroundings at Oklahoma?

The college seniors of this season have been under the magnifying glass since they were sophomores. The list is not stable. There is sorting, shuffling, stirring around. New information changes things. How about the knee operation? What will 10 new pounds do? Who's on the weights, who's in the bar?

A host of scouts feed the main computer of the biggest NFL combine. Information pours in and status changes as 21- and 22-year-olds are re-evaluated on ability and growth.

How are they playing? Is the 40 time still correct? Who is injury-prone? Who brings the penalty flags; who is disciplined for fracturing rules?

See all you can, read all about it, ask your coaching buddy at the other school. Feed the computer. It feeds you.

Southern Cal tailback Charles White, Heisman hero Billy Sims of Oklahoma, the burner and the bully at Texas A&M, Curtis Dickey and George Woodard, make the computer hum.

Vagas Ferguson of Notre Dame, Paul Jones of Cal, James Jones of Mississippi State, Isaiah Hipp of Nebraska, Joe Cribbs of Auburn . . . they all turn on lights if you push the button marked **RUNNING BACKS**.

The computer loves large linemen. It bubbles over at the thought of Anthony Munoz, Southern Cal, offensive tackle, 6-7, 285, exceptional agility, *pitcher in baseball*.

What is the blinking red light? Munoz went down in the 49-0 romp over California last fall, had surgery two days later. How's the old knee, Anthony, our boy? It seemed sound when we were out that way in the spring.

The computer is big on bloodlines. It knows Brad Budde of the Trojans is the son of former Kansas City Chief guard Ed Budde, class of '63, Michigan State, first-round draft choice.

It helps that young Budde is 6-5, 252. Pete Harris of Penn State just happens to be the kid brother of Franco Harris of the Steelers. Stan Brock of Colorado has big brother Pete snapping the ball for the New England Patriots.

Does it run in the family? Yes!

The computer finds names you may not know . . . Elvis Franks at Morgan State, Cleveland Green at Southern University, Brad Vassar at Pacific, Mike Ellis at Norfolk State, DeWayne Jett in Hawaii, Gerald Johnson at North Carolina A&T.

Actually, the computer seldom takes the bus. It usually sends an arm or a leg to do the remote road work. If there is great gumbo or perfect pot roast on the local menu, three or four scouts may want to have a look. Unusual watering holes have the same magnetic appeal.

Defensive linemen make an impression on the computer . . . if they fit the yardstick. Wesley Roberts at Texas Christian is about right, 6-5, 250. Angelo Fields at Michigan State is 6-6 and 293 and doesn't trip up at tackle.

Penn State's proud pair, Bruce Clark and Matt Millen, are in the memory bank. The computer seems puzzled. Both are 6-2 and 240, almost a no-no, yet very successful in real life with a very successful team.

Such conflicts are confusing to computers. They sometimes produce garbled print-outs followed by an asterisk. Such remarkable players are reclassified as "Exceptions to the rule."

Sometimes an exception is drafted high, almost never No. 1.

There is a strange connection between good teams and good talent. Taking into account the genius of Paul (Bear) Bryant to get maximum results from marginal material, the computer still insists there are football players at Alabama.

Keith Pugh is on the list of wide receivers. Ozzie Newsome proved earlier it is not illegal for wishbone ends to appear in the NFL.

Vince Boothe, Tide guard, is a prospect. Dwight Stephenson, Tide center, is in the could-be-good-when-he-gets-bigger category (6-3, 224 now). Curtis McGriff, Alabama defensive tackle, is big enough now, thank you. Rangy Wayne Hamilton has a rating among defensive ends.

For some reason, the computer thinks quarterbacks are made by pro coaches instead of by God. The mechanical mind

rarely gets as excited as the paying customers about your neighborhood "Tom Terrific" or "Bull's Eye" Brown.

It could be because so few college coaches use the pro pass concept. It could be that quarterbacks almost never hit the NFL with instant success. They must be shaped and formed, buffed and polished.

You can bet a quarterback won't go first this time.

Here is an authentic summer computer list, subject to change, subject to six per cent error, but better than your average barber shop poll. (Pro sizes and weights may differ from press releases.)

QUARTERBACKS: Paul McDonald, 6-2, 180, Southern Cal; Paul McGaffigan, 6-2, 185, Long Beach State; Steve Ensminger, 6-3, 193, LSU; Mark Malone, 6-4, 215, Arizona State; Rusty Lisch, 6-4, 208, Notre Dame; Marc Wilson, 6-5, 195, Brigham Young.

RUNNERS: Charles White, 6-0, 180, Southern Cal; Billy Sims, 6-1, 195, Oklahoma; Curtis Dickey, 6-1, 200, Texas A&M; Paul Jones, 6-2, 225, California; George Woodard, 6-0, 255, Texas A&M; Vagas Ferguson, 6-1, 194, Notre Dame; Joe Steele, 6-4, 198, Washington.

James Jones, 5-11, 195, Mississippi State; Isaiah Hipp, 6-0, 200, Nebraska; Roland Sales, 6-2, 198, Arkansas; James Hadnot, 6-2, 236, Texas Tech; Matt Suhey, 5-11, 216, Penn State; Eddie Walker, 5-11, 187, Colorado; Joe Cribbs, 5-10, 185, Auburn; Mark Lyles, 6-4, 222, Florida State.

WIDE RECEIVERS: Jackie Flowers, 6-2, 195, Florida State; Holden Smith, 6-2, 190, California; Johnny Jones, 6-1, 175, Texas; Ralph Clayton, 6-3, 210, Michigan; Floyd Eddings, 6-1, 185, California; Garnet Edwards, 6-4, 185, West Virginia.

Emanuel Tolbert, 5-11, 174, Southern Methodist; Carlos Carson, 6-0, 170, LSU; Ray Smith, 6-1, 192, Purdue; Kevin "Speedy" Hart, 6-1, 201, Notre Dame; Cedric Thomas, 6-0, 180, West Virginia; Keith Pugh, 6-1, 185, Alabama; Kenny Brown, 6-0, 176, Nebraska; DeWayne Jett, 6-3, 188, Hawaii.

TIGHT ENDS: Mark Brammer, 6-4, 225, Michigan State; Terry Beck, 6-4, 222, Oregon State; Bob Niziolek, 6-5, 215, Colorado; Eric Sievers, 6-4, 223, Maryland; Junior Miller, 6-4, 220, Nebraska; Wayne Thompson, 6-4, 224, Utah State.

OFFENSIVE TACKLES: Anthony Munoz, 6-7, 285, Southern Cal; Tim Foley, 6-5, 246, Notre Dame; Stan Brock, 6-6, 224, Colorado; Larry Stewart, 6-5, 280, Maryland; Irv Pankey, 6-5, 247, Penn State.

Bob Thompson, 6-7, 300, Kansas State; John Sinnott, 6-5, 280, Brown; Steve Junkmann, 6-3, 230, North Carolina; Gerald

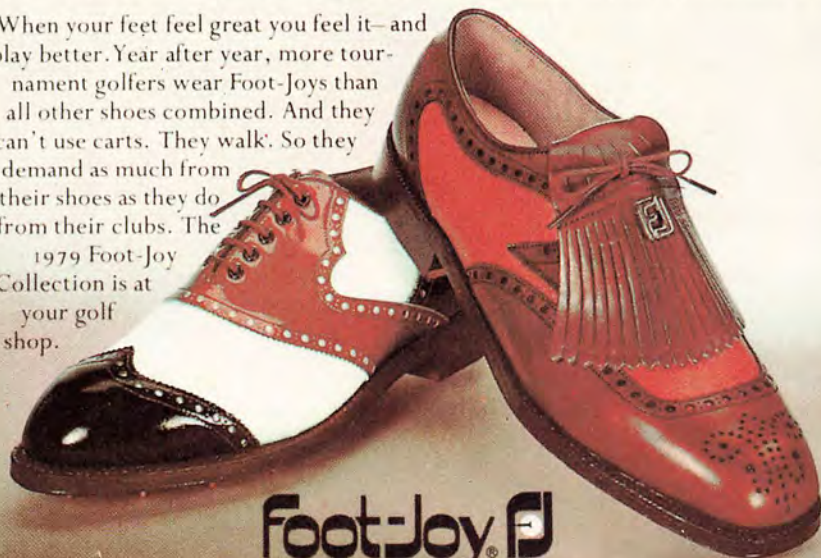
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at universities, all colleges have had to take serious looks at their budgets for sports. Almost without exception, football carries the load. For instance, at the University of Colorado, the athletic budget is about \$3.5 million. Money raised to meet that budget will be in 1979 about \$3.6 million. Where does that money come from? Almost totally from the football team—attendance at games, television revenues, bowl sharing, programs, alumni gifts.

Thus, a team with a losing season will watch the income decline and, with it, either the budget decline or go in the red.

To prevent problems, college teams are forced to win to keep bringing in people and putting the team on TV and in those post-season games. And you have to start with a coach.

Like Chuck Fairbanks.

That was the Colorado reasoning. And when you consider a budget of \$3.5 million, a \$50,000 salary that the university is responsible for is a paltry figure. Of course, there are those added benefits.

It used to be, though, that universities would take an assistant coach and elevate him, or pick one of the good old boys who had played at the school. Now it has become a scientific excursion. Get the best possible guy, hang the expense.

And college coaching is not the only inflationary area in athletics. David Thompson, just down the road from Boulder, Colorado, playing for the Denver Nuggets of the National Basketball Association, receives \$800,000 a year. Who is more important—Thompson or Fairbanks? You answer it.

Much has been made of CU's theft of Fairbanks from the pros, but the same New England Patriots had enticed the same Chuck Fairbanks to leave college football (the University of Oklahoma.) And, the NFL annually goes into the college ranks for new head men. The Fairbanks incident will set a precedent. Both colleges and the pros will tread softly in the future when it comes to hiring a coach.

In early spring, there was talk of a coach leaving a southern university to go elsewhere.

"If he tries it," said the athletic director, "the Chuck Fairbanks thing will

look like a Sunday picnic."

Washington State settled the trouble earlier. Weary of losing coaches, Washington State put a clause into its contract with Warren Powers when he was hired as coach. When he decided to jump to the University of Missouri, Powers was forced to pay off the remainder of his contract with Washington State. Of course, Powers received financial help from Missourians (legally or illegally), but it could well have been worth it, considering that Missouri became even more successful in college football.

College coaches are so important.

Woody Hayes had become a legend in his own time and a legend in his own mind with Ohio State, but it took one Punch Bowl incident to end his reign. Ohio State couldn't afford to risk recruiting woes and the public relations image if it continued to keep Hayes at the helm. Goodbye Columbus, and Goodbye Woody.

Only a few years ago Bill Battle, a young man for a head coach, was winning his share of games at the University of Tennessee, but it wasn't enough. Tennessee had added to the stadium and carried one of the largest athletic budgets in the land. When the natives began to howl—and send moving trucks to Battle's house—it was time to come up with a new man. Battle was sent walking, and Tennessee chose a man who had wanted the job when Battle was named. Johnny Majors. Majors had turned the Iowa State program around and then stalked off to Pittsburgh, where he made the Panthers No. 1 in the country. Then he returned to where he played college ball, Tennessee. Ask Majors what he's drawing annually. The man's not hurting, and even though Tennessee still hasn't struck it big under Majors, attendance is on the incline again, and smiles are all around the Tennessee athletic department.

You don't think a coach is something?

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irregular they be, were overlooked.

But if he should have just one bad season, his private life will be front page news, and he'll be out looking.

The University of Florida couldn't wait to get its hands on Doug Dickey, who had been successful at Tennessee and was the Gator's former quarterback. But when Dickey failed to produce after a few seasons, he was booted. Oddly enough, Dickey ended up as Fairbanks' assistant at CU.

It's a two-sided issue, though. Coaches find better jobs, they think, and move. Lou Holtz went from college football to the pros, back to the colleges (at Arkansas) and is one of the first names mentioned when any other major college job opens. But, colleges will fire a guy where he sits for a 2-9 season.

"I think," Dickey says, "that there should be a better understanding about contracts between universities and coaches. In all my years of attending the national coaches' meetings, I've never heard contracts discussed once. I think they should be. The university should spell out what the coach's

obligations are, and vice versa. Both sides should know going in what can happen if either side gets unhappy."

What seems to be forgotten is that sports, and college coaches, as always, only reflect society. The coach-hopping is not limited to athletics. It's never big news, but a mathematics professor may leave Temple to head the mathematics department at TCU. He may go from there to become a dean at Southern Cal and from there to Northwestern as assistant to the president and on to the top job at Weber State. More money, better opportunity.

But the limelight for the moment is on Fairbanks.

"I know, because of what happened, that people are expecting us to produce quickly. If I had it to do over again, I would have done some things differently. It turned out to be a costly venture for a lot of people—including me," said Chuck.

Yet, that's what has become of college football and coaching . . . jet planes and golf courses and talk shows and million-dollar deals—all for a 10-1 record and a trip to the Fiesta Bowl.

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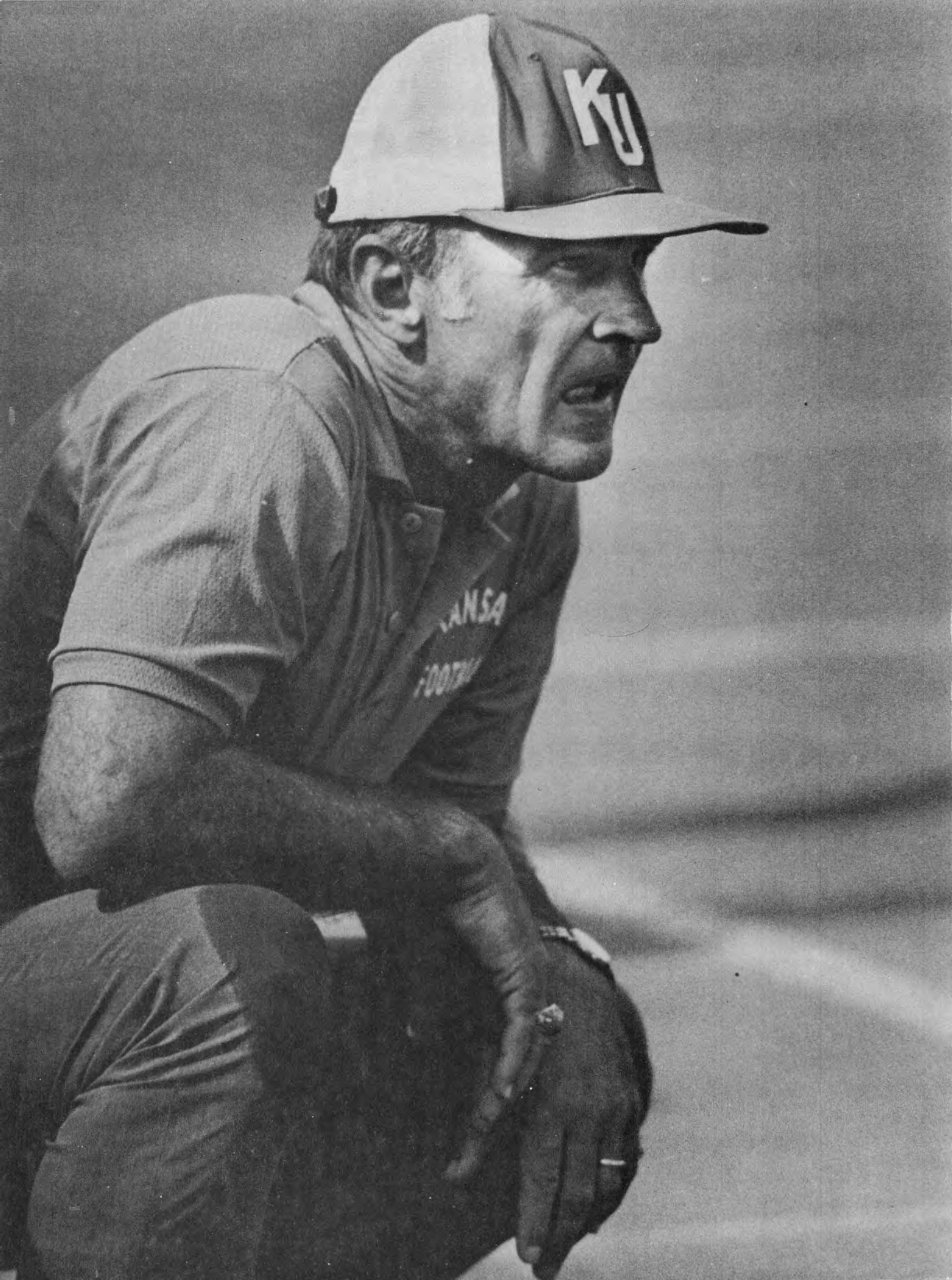
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surprised if another youngster, sophomore Russ Bastin, opens the season as the starter.

Obviously, Fambrough feels the components are there for an effective passing game . . . if Sydney and the other backs offer some semblance of running ability. "We don't plan to live and die with the pass," insists Fambrough. "I seriously doubt you can win in this conference that way. At the same time, we will throw it considerably."

They might have to. Sydney, Higgins and sophomore Dan Wagoner are the only proven backs, although the KU staff is high on Los Angeles JC transfer Larry Kemp (he broke Clarence Davis' records) and freshmen Tim Davis and Wayne Capers.

Even if the backs are capable, there's no indication the offensive line is good enough to open any holes. Three of the eight graduation losses were in the line, although tackles Mike Gay (6-5, 255) and Bob Whitten (6-3, 260) return. A couple of second teamers—Jim Ragsdale and Augusta Kyles—should win the guard spots, and Bob Fiss, the son of former KU great Galen Fiss, opens as the No. 1 center.

The defensive line prospects aren't much brighter, unless John Odell and Mark Wilbers—both one-time starters—recover fully from bad knee injuries. If they don't, JC transfers Hilton Dawson and Jeff Fox will battle lettermen Charles Casey and Greg Smith for the tackle spots. Another JC transfer, Stan Gardner, is being groomed for noseguard.

Senior Jim Zidd, an all-conference type, is a good one at defensive end, but his partner will probably be little-used sophomore Chris Toburen.

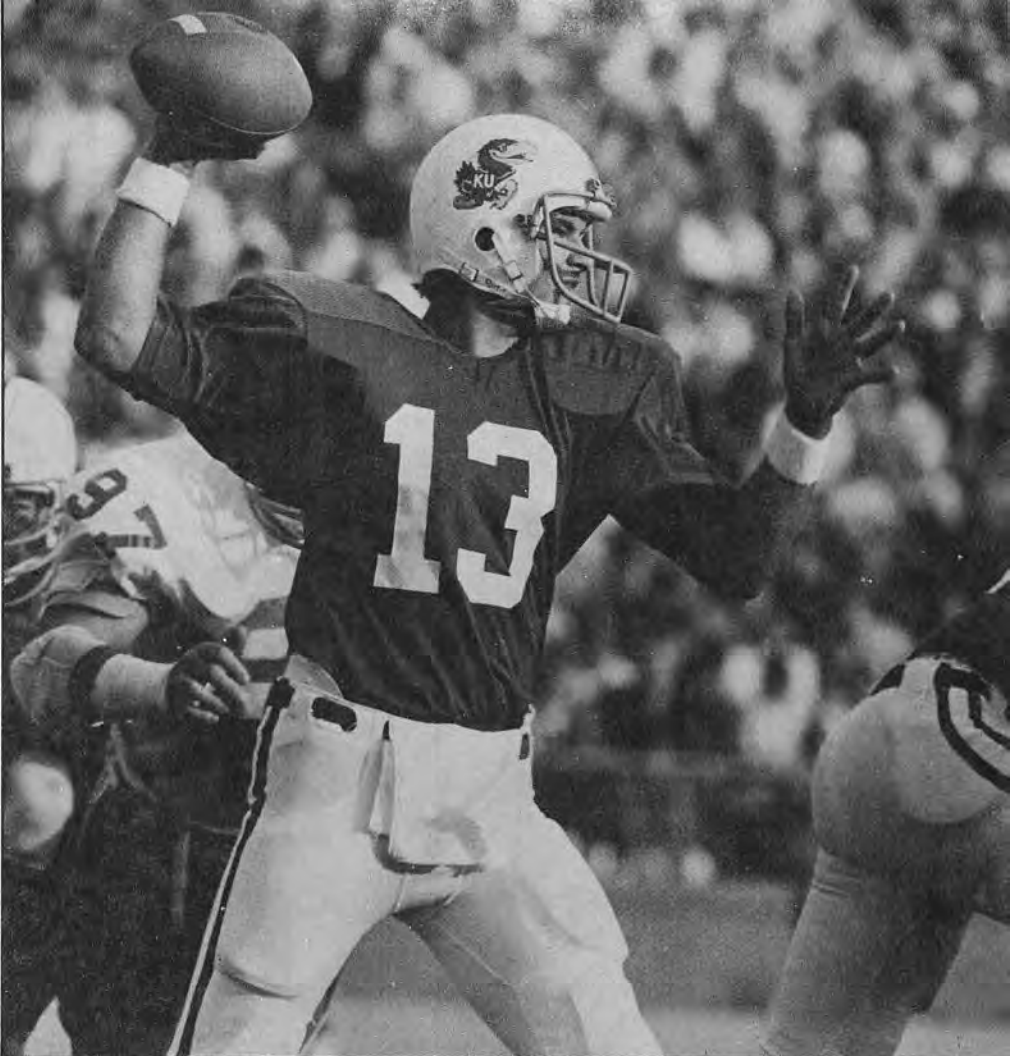
Fambrough feels good about his linebackers. The top four return, including Scellars Young, well on his way to becoming KU's all-time leading tackler. Young, a 6-5, 215-pound junior, is joined by senior Monty Carbonell and more-than-capable reserves Kyle McNorton and Buford Johnson, both sophomores.

There's plenty of experience in the secondary, too, led by free safety Leroy Irvin, a second-team all-conference pick. Irvin was in on 127 tackles last year, which tells you something about the defensive front. Starting cornerback Delvin Miller was in on 14 tackles, which tells you something about him. Soph Robert Gentry should beat him out.

Senior Dave Harris is the other corner, and junior hardship Joe Tumpich will fight Roger Foote for starting honors at strong safety.

Nobody will fight Hubach for kicking duties. He's a 41.4 punter and a decent placekicker, although he hit only four of 12 field goals last season. **END**

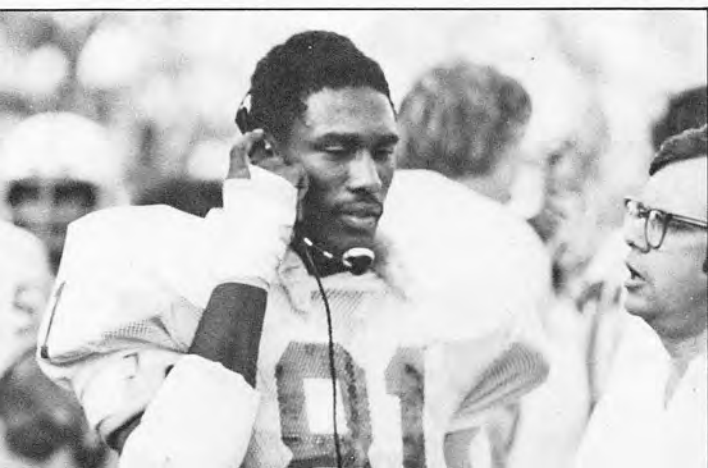
Don Fambrough returns to guide the Jayhawks.



(Top) Junior-to-be Kevin Clinton pulls the trigger on Nebraska. (Left) Bobby Barrow will be missed.



(Above) Craig Johnson rips past the Jayhawks while (right) junior tight end Jeff Finn picks up yardage. (Below) Defensive end Lawrence Cole gets some instructions from upstairs.



(Nebraska continued)

hope than certainty. Nebraska's major area of concern, next to quarterback, is rebuilding the offensive front line. Only center Kelly Saalfeld returns to the starting Orange Bowl lineup. John Havekost and Randy Schleusener are letter winners and front runners for guard spots and the tackles will come from a crop including Dan Steiner, Gary England, Mark Goodspeed and Joe Adams—all in the 6.3, 245 range.

"Our offensive line may not be as experienced as last year, but it's still a good line," Hipp said. "I'm not discouraged at all."

Hipp looks forward to participating in the passing game, an area where the Huskers return 81 per cent of their statistical talent. Tight end Junior Miller may be the best in the business at his slot and there was talk as early as a year before that Miller could be a high first-round draft for the pros. Miller's team leading 30 receptions will be joined by wingback Kenny Brown's 23 and proficient split end Tim Smith to give NU the league's best receiving.

But the question remains who will pull the trigger on this potentially high point producing Husker offense? "I can't say who is going to be quarterback," offered Hipp. "I'll leave that decision up to Coach Osborne. What will I say? Whether we go with Jeff Quinn or Tim Hager, the Nebraska offense will be as effective as it always has been in the past."

Hipp was referring to a steady Nebraska-style quarterback leader, and Quinn and Hager are two of what became a five or six-man scramble for the Tom Sorley-Randy Garcia post. If it is either Quinn or Hager, Nebraska U. will have a Nebraska-bred signal-caller for one of the few times in recent history. In Quinn the Huskers can add an outstanding dimension of running to the offense, but he lacks in the passing area that Nebraska has always had in the past. Hager is a hometown boy from Lincoln Southeast who has the outstanding desire, if not quite the outstanding ability in any one particular phase.

"We certainly think we will have the skilled people to put some points on the board," Osborne said. "Our inexperience points are quarterback and the offensive line. At quarterback, Hager has the most experience but Quinn, Steve Michaelson, Mark Mauer and Bruce Mathison will all get an equal chance."

While Hipp shys away from the prediction racket, Osborne has no qualms about doing a little predicting of his own. "Overall, I think maybe our defense could be a little better than last year." And the 1978 NU defense gave up an average of only 16 points per Big Eight game, second lowest in the league. *(continued)*



(Top) Mark LeRoy gets after Kansas as Dan Lindstrom (below) rushes the Jayhawk quarterback.

(Nebraska continued)

Osborne thinks the secondary can be stronger overall than last year, built around right corner Andy Means, safety Russell Gary, left corner David Liegl and monster back Mark LeRoy.

The main question for Nebraska was replacing talented linebackers Lee Kunz and Bruce Dunning. Osborne and company have done so, with center Tom Vering who saw starting time as a soph until hampered by injuries, and Los Angeles JC transfer

Brent Williams.

Anywhere else on defense are familiar faces. NU returns the top two middle guards and the top four defensive tackles from last year's 9-3 team, led by middle guard Kerry Weinmaster and tackles Rod Horn and Dan Pensick. Derrie Nelson returns at right defensive end and the George Andrews slot on the other side fell to Lawrence Cole.

Osborne thinks the secondary can be stronger overall than last year, built around right corner Andy Means, safety Russell Gary, left corner David Liegl and monster back Mark LeRoy. Senior Dean Sukup has been waiting in the wings three years to show an outstanding placekicking leg and NU's Tim Smith was among the league-leading punters.

"I feel confident we can replace graduated people at linebacker and in the secondary with young players with ability," Osborne admitted and he and his staff look to have accomplished the task.

Nebraska feels it can be an outstanding team, but there still won't be any predictions coming out of the corner of Isaiah Moses Hipp. "If it happens, it will happen," Hipp said rather enigmatically. "I realize I'm only one person. I know it takes at least 11 people at a time. I feel I can get my mind together and do the job. I hope the others can."

This is as close to a prophesy as I.M. Hipp wants to make. Based on Nebraska's record of success, a prediction full of optimism often becomes a reality. Ask any disciple of the Big Eight. **END**

Nebraska quarterback Jeff Quinn draws a crowd and counters with a perfect pitch.



(All-Big Eight Predictions continued)

Sims, he was thinking in terms of improving. Imagine that!

There is another reason for picking the Okies. Habit. They are always good and often great.

That doesn't mean we think Nebraska is any slouch . . . not by your biggest cornfield, we don't. We are confident the race will be close. By the way, if you have any spare tickets, we could use six for the day the giants collide.

Missouri is Athlon's choice for third, a high honor in such a hot league. Phil Bradley is our All-Big Eight quarterback and James Wilder is a terrific Tiger target.

Colorado, properly inspired by the coach who cost half a million, will rise up and run fourth. Iowa State will be very close and combative. Oklahoma State will run a courageous race and finish ahead of Kansas and Kansas State.

Being all-conference in the Big Eight is much like being All-American. The lists look much the same in late November. You'll see the Sooners' Sims and Nebraska's I.M. Hipp anywhere you look.

Now there's a backfield for you . . . Bradley to Wilder if you have to throw, but most of the time you just hand it off to Sims or Hipp. Go ball!

Up front in the Big Eight, Athlon goes with Junior Miller of Nebraska, Dick Cuvelier of Iowa State, Paul Tabor of Oklahoma, Kelly Saalfeld of Nebraska, Reggie Richardson of Oklahoma State and Louis Oubre of Oklahoma. We'll throw some to Eugene Goodlow of Kansas State . . . because he's good, too.

The Big Eight can be very defensive. Surely there isn't a conference with a louder pair of linebackers than George Cumby of Oklahoma and John Corker of Oklahoma State . . . we mean loud, as when hard hats bump, when hard chargers hit great stone walls.

Across our defensive front is Jim Zidd of Kansas, Chris Boskey of Iowa State, Laval Short of Colorado, Rod Horn of Nebraska and Derrie Nelson, another Cornhusker.

Second to no secondary is Athlon's fierce foursome . . . Darrol Ray of the Sooners, Bill Roe and Mark Haynes of Colorado and Mike Schwartz of Iowa State. They'll strike a sweep or make a quarterback let the air out of the ball.

Do we kick it? Of course we do, occasionally, with Jeff Brockhaus of Missouri for placements and Mike Hubach of Kansas for punts.

Go Big Eight! **END**

ALL-BIG EIGHT

Offense

Billy
Sims
Oklahoma



I.M.
Hipp
Nebraska



Placekicker
Jeff
Brockhaus
Missouri

Phil
Bradley
Missouri



James
Wilder
Missouri



Junior
Miller
Nebraska



Dick
Cuvelier
Iowa State



Paul
Tabor
Oklahoma



Kelly
Saalfeld
Nebraska



Reggie
Richardson
Oklahoma State



Louis
Oubre
Oklahoma



Eugene
Goodlow
Kansas State



Jim
Zidd
Kansas



Chris
Boskey
Iowa State



Laval
Short
Colorado



Rod
Horn
Nebraska



Derrie
Nelson
Nebraska



Darrol
Ray
Oklahoma



George
Cumby
Oklahoma



John
Corker
Oklahoma State



Bill
Roe
Colorado



Mark
Haynes
Colorado



Mike
Schwartz
Iowa State

Punter
Mike
Hubach
Kansas

Defense

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Is it better to change the way college football concludes each season, devise a playoff for a national championship, bring each campaign to a sensational climax?

Or, is it best to put the pads away after January 1, let the polls do the picking, talk about titles in the winter, debate what might have happened had there been three other games.

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mittee as the final judge.

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The playoff system could help the bowls. Some coaches now admit getting the bowl bid is the big deal, that winning post-season clashes are not truly as important as being on the scene.

If a team must win a big bowl to advance, will the fight not become more spirited?

"The playoff idea is gaining ground," says Frank Broyles, athletic director at Arkansas, a member of the NCAA Special Events Committee.

Broyles has been amazed by the vitality of college basketball's Final Four. He's been. He has seen for himself. Now, he's ready to help sell the playoff for football. Frank sees it as the grand prize.

"Don't tell me a chance to play for the national championship would be sloughed off by the players. I've heard players complain about practice, say they were much too tired to go on. I've never heard one not want to play the game. Players wouldn't think a playoff would extend the season too long . . . not if they were in the Final Four."

Why do you suppose there are national championships in the other 17 sports? Don't fans want to know which team is best?

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We urge advancement of the playoff idea, protection of the bowl structure, a limited financial windfall to the Final Four, perhaps \$300,000 each, and a jolly division of the remaining wealth, to football schools not so richly blessed.

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Jerry McCoin
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Honey Watching

by Jerry McCoin



For years a very important question has gone unanswered . . . who has the best-looking honeys to cheer them on each Saturday??? Now, after all these years, Vitalis and Athlon Publications have taken it upon themselves to resolve this question once and for all. Vitalis is sponsoring a HONEY WATCHING CONTEST! That's right. We have selected twelve girls from across the country and you can help decide who has the prettiest honeys (see the card on the next page). Leading off, on the opposite page, is Judy McDonald of Illinois. Judy is a 20-year-old business major who was first runnerup in the Miss Illinois contest last year. (Upper left) is a selection of Arkansas beauties. Top row, left to right are Penny Hamilton, Toni Kitterman, Helen Spears, Jennifer Fox and Justine Dudley. Front row, left to right are Sharon Post, Lisa Human, Merry Lee Hewitt, Dionne Harold, Terri Marshall and Jo Cherski. (Lower left) is a beauty from the Bluegrass country—Kentucky's Dana Emberton. (Above) Voluptuous Kathy Bell is an engineering major at Missouri.

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Honey Watching

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(Lower right) Pittsburgh's Panthers are excited on by an award winning group of cheerleaders including Theresa Rosa. (Right) Monica Ann Mikolaj of Ohio State cheers for the Buckeyes while (below) the new excitement in Washington's football program is reflected in cute Monica Hard.

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Honey Watching

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(Upper left) Pretty Nora Barson urges on Oklahoma State's Cowboys. (Upper right) Southern Cal girls are supposed to be blonde, tanned and lovely...Laurie Ryan fits that description to a tee. (Left) Down South the LSU Tigers love their Golden Girls. After checking out Anna Lois Sells you can easily understand why.

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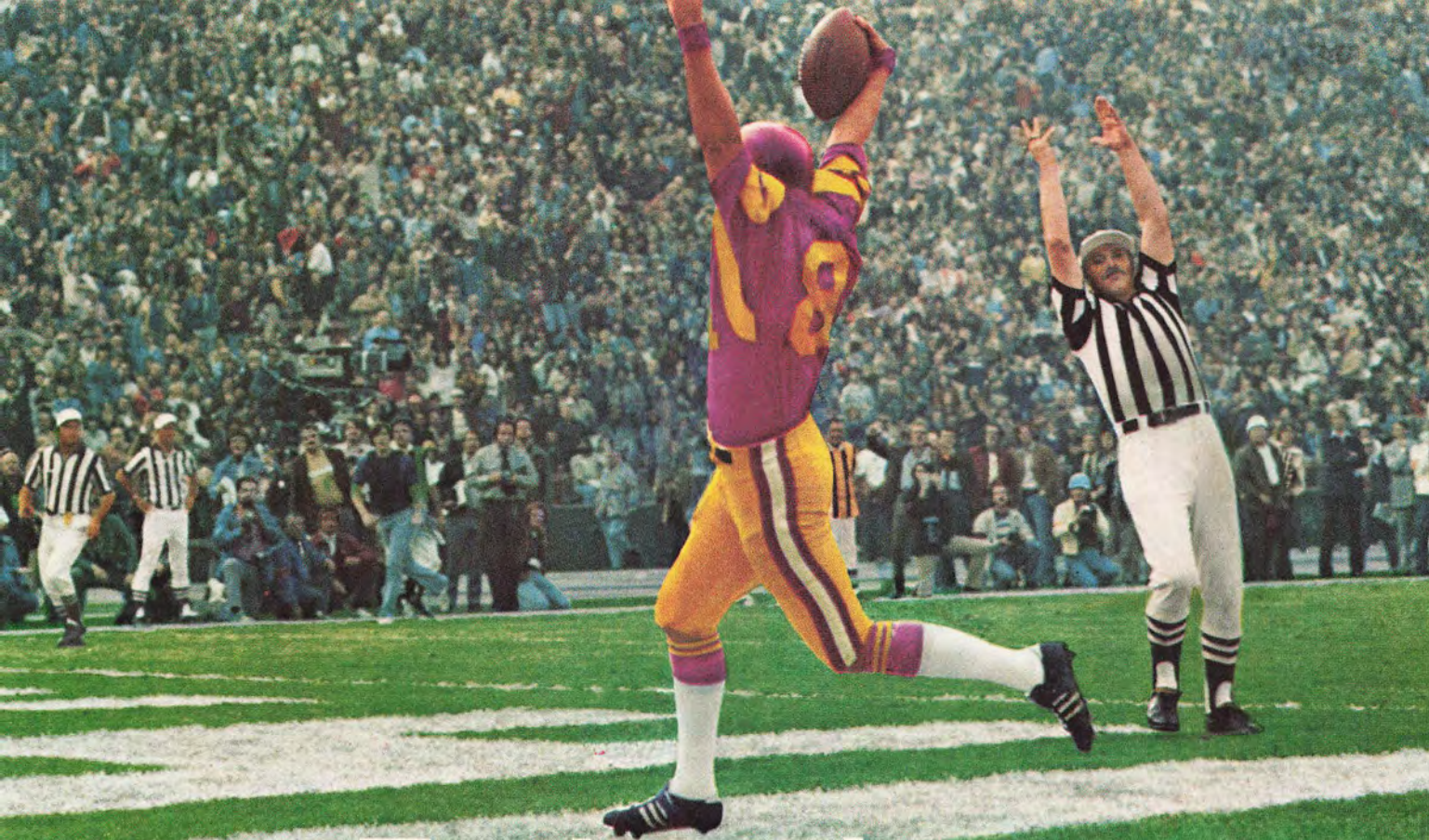
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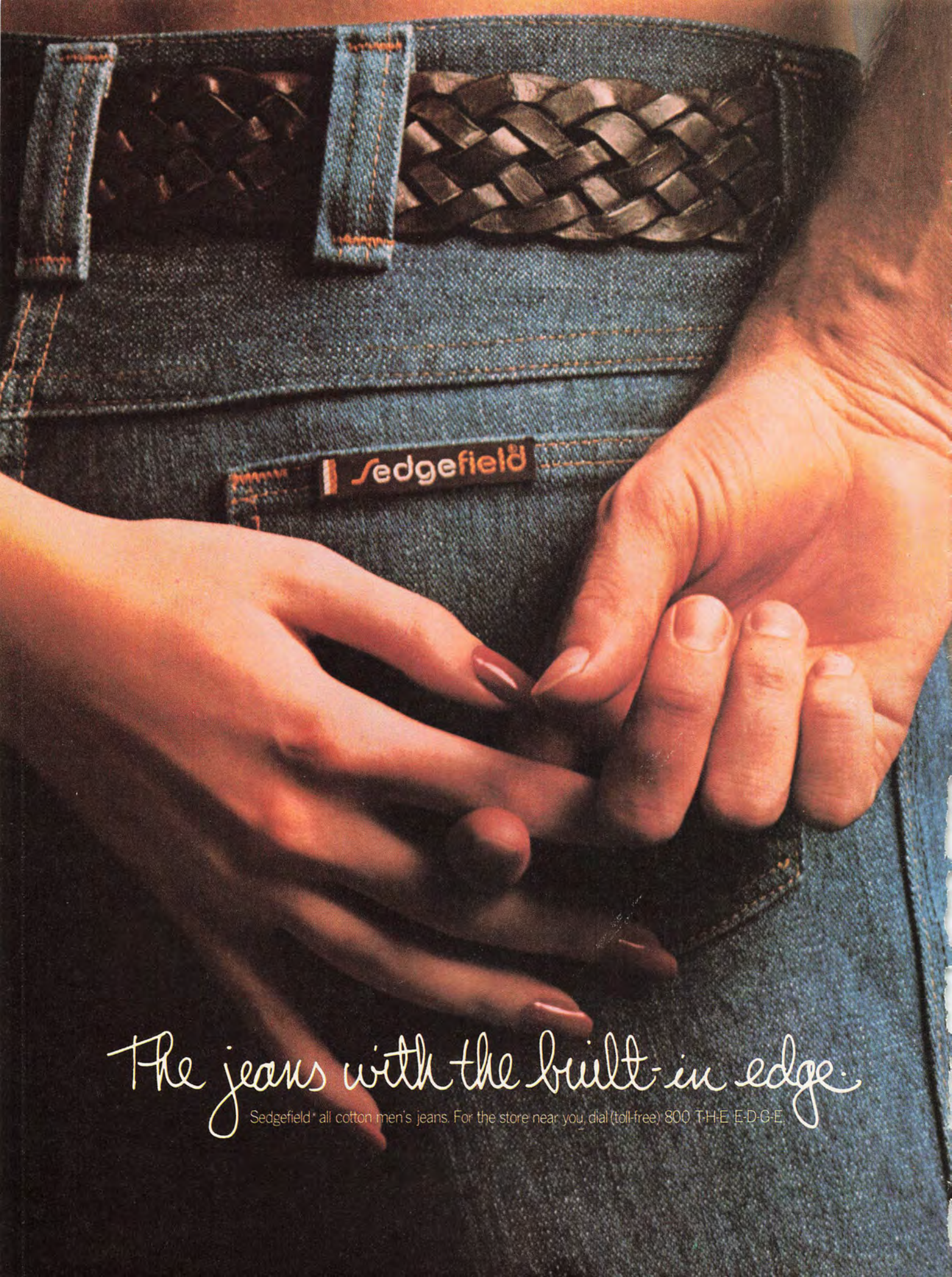
Honey Watching

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(Upper left) Texas Tech's lovely Nancy Holt lends ABC's camera crew a hand. (Above) Angela Troutman, a Tennessee lovely, loves Tennessee's Vols and (left) beautiful Carol Gaspierik inspires Georgia's Bulldogs.

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gained 807 yards (eighth in the Big Eight). Freshman Terry Suellentrop scored five touchdowns and ran up 321 yards; and Vince Orange, Steve Hammond and Valda Headspeth all played a lot. "We definitely have some ability here," conceded Johnson.

The return of three of last year's four top receivers (Ron Ingram, Mel Campbell and James Cowins) and three starters in the interior line (tackles Jim Clark and Marty Shepherd and guard Reggie Richardson) makes the head coach's passing plans look even brighter.

Where last year dread and indecision hung over the start of football season in Stillwater, now it seems expectancy reigns.

"It's a good feeling," said Corker. "I think a lot more ballplayers feel more stable now that Coach Johnson has talked to them and things. The coaching change has made a few more players happy."

Including, maybe, John Corker.

"He's a real sincere kid," said Paul Jette, a man who is becoming increasingly close to the linebacker. "I guess he had a reputation in the past for getting in a little trouble here and there. But he's really making the effort it seems now."

"I think we're in a position where we could finish very high in the Big Eight, maybe even win it," said Corker, "because in no game did a team ever really physically beat us last year. Oklahoma was the only one, maybe."

"With the players we have coming back it gives you a sense of security. When I came in my freshman year, the majority of the mistakes I made didn't show up because more experienced players were always there. Now, I'm in that position."

"I like that role," he said, speaking softly but surely. "I have the ability to help lead a ball club, to have the guys thinking the majority of the time I'm going to be there."

A lot of people said John Corker was going to be trouble when he came to Oklahoma State. Seven football teams in the Big Eight would probably say they were right.

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(Top) Big Drew Hetzler, offensive guard, blazes a trail for running back Ed Smith. (Bottom) One of six returning backs is junior Worley Taylor.

BIG 8 RECRUITING REPORT

by Jim Weeks

In the Big Eight Conference, the football rich seem to be getting richer.

This year that means 1978 co-champions Oklahoma and Nebraska came off with the most recruiting plums.

The Sooners ranked third nationally in one scouting report and fourth in another. And veteran observers of recruiting in this area say the Cornhuskers weren't all that far behind.

But the rest of the conference may have been.

Colorado didn't have a head coach and most of the top prospects there went elsewhere. Oklahoma State, Iowa State and Kansas obtained new coaches and got late starts.

Missouri lost the top three prospects out of its own territory, and no one seems to have a satisfactory explanation for that.

Here's the way the conference shapes up:

OKLAHOMA—The Sooners went heavily for running backs and came away with some top prospects.

Oklahoma signed 193-pound running back Stan Wilson of Carson, Calif.; 190-pound running back Royce Coleman of Plainview, Tex.; 210-pound fullback Weldon Ledbetter of St. Louis, Mo.; 192-pound running back Steve McKeaver of Altus, Okla.; 190-pound running back Chet Winters of Jacksonville, Ark.; 185-pound defensive back Darrell Songy of New Orleans, La.; 204-pound tight end Mike Weddington of Temple, Tex.; and



Nebraska's Tom Osborne always recruits a first class group of Cornhuskers.

290-pound tackle Paul Parker of Tulsa, Wash.

Wilson, only the fifth player ever to be named Los Angeles Player-of-the-Year twice, rushed for 1,670 yards and 16 touchdowns last season and ran for 1,750 yards and a city record 28 touchdowns as a junior.

Coleman ran for 1,653 yards and 23 touchdowns. Ledbetter, considered the

No. 1 prospect from Missouri, rushed for 1,315 yards and 16 touchdowns, averaging 7.2 yards a try. McKeaver, selected on the *Parade* All-American, gained 1,279 yards and scored 17 touchdowns. Winters, the Player-of-the-Year in Arkansas, gained 1,736 yards and 17 touchdowns.

Weddington caught 19 passes for 466 yards and five touchdowns, had 30 unassisted tackles and caused or recovered six fumbles.

Oklahoma coaches consider Songy the best defensive back prospect in the nation. And Parker also is a heavyweight wrestling champion.

NEBRASKA—Cornhusker Head Coach Tom Osborne, who has been cautious about commenting on recruiting in recent years, calls this the best freshman class Nebraska has gotten since the 30-player limit went into effect in 1974.

The Cornhuskers got every player they sought in Nebraska except defensive tackle Randy Jostes, who signed with Missouri.

Nebraska's out-of-state haul also was impressive.

The Cornhuskers signed running back Roger Craig of Davenport, considered the No. 1 player in Iowa.

They signed two of the leading recruits from Colorado—running back Doug Wilkening of Columbine High in Littleton and wingback Dennis Rogan of Colorado Springs.

Nebraska also got three leading prospects from Texas—quarterback Nate

Mason and wingback Ricky Simmons, both of Greenville, and 215-pound tight end Robert Alven of W. T. White High in Dallas.

The top recruits from Nebraska are linemen Mike Keeler of Omaha Burke and John Sherlock of Omaha South.

Two other leading out-of-state recruits are Todd Stratte, 225-pound tight end from Rochester, Minn., and Jeff Merrill, 235-pound defensive tackle from Huntsville, Ala.

Craig was one of the most highly sought players in the Midwest after rushing for more than 2,000 yards last season.

Mason and Simmons led Greenville to a 9-1 record. Mason rushed for 650 yards and passed for 1,400 yards and 20 touchdowns. Simmons, who has run the 100-yard dash in 9.6 seconds, rushed for 1,516 yards and scored 18 touchdowns.

Wilkening rushed for more than 2,000 yards. And he is one of the few players Osborne ever recalls visiting the night before a game. It just happened Osborne visited in the Wilkening home the night before the Cornhuskers defeated Colorado, 52-14, last October in Boulder, Colo.

MISSOURI—The Tigers recruited several outstanding line prospects.

Probably the top freshman Missouri got is Randy Jostes, 6-5, 245-pound defensive tackle from Omaha Ralston. Even Nebraska admits he was the top prospect in Nebraska.

Other top linemen signed by Missouri are 6-6, 250-pound defensive tackle Chuck Crumbacher of Holton, Ill.; 6-5, 235-pound defensive tackle Tim Hornof of St. Louis; 6-3, 230-pound offensive and defensive tackle Tony Bruns of Danville, Ill. and 6-5, 225-pound tight end Jim Lockett of St. Louis Sumner.

The most impressive offensive back signed by the Tigers probably is quarterback Forest Harrell of Wichita, Kan., who passed for 1,600 yards and ran for 400 yards last season.

The Tigers also signed 6-3, 185-pound wingback and defensive back Reco Hawkins of Kirkwood, Mo.; 200-pound defensive back Marvin Johnson of Potsi, Mo.; and 185-pound defensive back Demetrious Johnson of St. Louis.

IOWA STATE—The Cyclones lost the No. 1 player in the state in Davenport running back Roger Craig but signed 6-6, 235-pound linebacker Bruce Reimers of Humboldt, considered the No. 2 prospect in Iowa.

Iowa State also hopes Dwayne Crutchfield, who played at Waldorf Junior College in Forest City, Iowa, last season, can qualify for school this year. The 235-pound fullback was signed out of Cincinnati last year.

The Cyclones did get another top back from Iowa in 190-pound Jerry Lorenzen, who rushed for 1,594 yards and 23 touchdowns in nine games at Reinbeck.

Other leading recruits are 210-pound linebacker Clint Loy of Hickman Mills, Mo.; quarterback Chuck Miller of Truman High in Independence, Mo.; running back John Arnaud of Sioux City North; running back Dwayne Johnson of Omaha, Neb.; 270-pound tackle Donald Spears of Montgomery, Ala.; 250-pound tackle Dan Martin of Williams Bay, Wis.; 235-pound tackle Scott Nelson of Almena, Wis.; and 205-pound linebacker Robin Tubbs of Pawnee, Okla.

Miller was the leading passer in the Kansas City area the last two years. Arnaud has high jumped 6-9 although he is only 6-1.

OKLAHOMA STATE—The Cowboys recruited mainly out of state.

Oklahoma State's top recruits are 270-pound tackle Darryl Sheffey of Washington, D.C.; 195-pound quarterback Kerry Sachetta of Columbus, Kan.; 195-pound defensive back Devin Bonik of Corning, N.Y.; 215-pound offensive lineman Gary Lewis of Oklahoma City Millwood and quarterback Jim Traber of Columbia, Md.

Sheffey was an academic All-American and a heavyweight wrestling champion. Sachetta passed for 4,000 yards and 26 touchdowns in his career. Bonik also is one of the outstanding lacrosse players in New York. And Traber is a highly ranked tennis player.

KANSAS STATE—The Wildcats concentrated primarily on junior college players.

Kansas State got Nick Ruzick, 245-pound All-American defensive tackle from Coffeyville Junior College; 210-pound noseguard Tim Cole, also from Coffeyville; 190-pound defensive back Kevin Stetler from Garden City JC; 230-pound offensive lineman Tim Murray from North Iowa Area JC in Iowa City; offensive guard and center Kerry Wilson from Azusa JC in Azusa, Calif.; and placekicker Butch Stocking of Mount San Antonio JC in West Covina, Calif.

Wilson was named the Most Valuable Lineman in the league last season.

The Wildcats also signed 180-pound Bob Daniels from College of the Sequoias in Visalia, Calif. The 6-2 Daniels passed for 1,900 yards and 19 touchdowns as a freshman and 1,435 yards and 12 touchdowns as a sophomore.

Another quarterback, Mike Kopski from St. Louis Christian Brothers, also signed with K-State.

The leading high school signees are 228-pound offensive lineman Bart Horner of Grandview, Mo.; 250-pound offensive lineman David Imchenko of Cartier Valley,

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Pa.; 202-pound fullback Kent Sedlacek of Hanover, Kan.; and 6-6, 248-pound tackle Jim Northcutt from Tulsa (Okla.) Mason.

COLORADO—The Buffaloes got one of the top linemen in the state in 6-3, 245-pound Guy Thurston of Arvada West. Thurston is the brother of a present Colorado offensive line starter, Brant.

Colorado also signed quarterback Steve Jones of San Fernando, Calif.; quarterback Brad Parker of Capistrano, Calif.; running back Clyde Riggins of Glen Cove, N.Y.; fullback Baxton Williams of Greensboro, N.C.; and fullback and linebacker Ray Cone of Edgewater, Colo.

Jones, an All-Los Angeles selection, rushed for 700 yards, passed for 1,300 yards and 13 touchdowns. Parker, second team All-Orange County choice, passed for 1,554 yards and 12 touchdowns and ran for 584 yards and six touchdowns.

Riggins, considered the second best prospect in Nassau County, N.Y., rushed for 1,176 yards and an average of 8.2 yards a carry. Williams gained 1,000 yards rushing three straight seasons and has run a 9.6-second 100-yard dash.

Cone is a 220-pounder who also played basketball.

KANSAS—The Jayhawks may have obtained some help at running back where Kansas has been lacking.

Kansas signed 180-pound running back Wayne Capers of South Miami (Fla.); 200-pound running back Garfield Taylor of Miami Killian; 210-pound Larry Kemp of East Los Angeles Junior College; and Tim Davis, 190-pound running back and defensive back from Aurora, Colo.

Capers rushed for 987 yards and 10 touchdowns and returned five punts for touchdowns. He has run the 100 in 9.5 seconds. Taylor played only five games last season because of injuries but gained 585 yards and scored seven touchdowns. Davis rushed for 820 yards, caught passes for 340 yards, scored eight touchdowns and punted for an average of 34.5 yards.

The Jayhawks' top line prospect is 230-pound linebacker Ernie Goolsby of Dodge City. Goolsby scored 41 points in one state tournament basketball game and set a state record with 97 points in three meet games. **END**

ASTORIA

Everyone seems to love Lovie Smith. Well, maybe not everyone loves Lovie. There may be some offensive backs and receivers who aren't too fond of the University of Tulsa strong safety who was a second-team All-American choice of the Associated Press last season.

Okay. Let's get one thing out of the way from the start. Yes, his real name is Lovie. Had she had a daughter, Smith's mother was going to name her for her great aunt, Lavane. But she had a son and Lavane just didn't seem right.

But certainly a lot of people at Tulsa love him.

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"Mostly everybody I meet for the first time, I have to tell them twice," Smith said. "I even have to spell it out sometimes."

"If I didn't play football with a name like Lovie, it probably would cause some problems."

But his name seems to fit him, at least, off the football field.

"Lovie Smith not only is an outstanding football player, but certainly one of the best people I've been around in all my 16 years of coaching," said Hurricane Head Coach John Cooper. "I don't recall ever having been around a better person than Lovie Smith."

"He's sort of a quiet person. He's a leader by example, a quiet, introverted athlete. Very dedicated. Undoubtedly, he will get a college education and graduate, probably in four years. He never misses a class, never misses a practice. Always on time. 'Yes, sir.' And 'no, sir.' Never have any problems whatsoever out of Lovie Smith."

Oh, yes, he can play football, too.

Smith was voted Newcomer-of-the-Year in the Missouri Valley Conference as a freshman. He was an all-conference selection and honorable mention All-American as a sophomore. And then last year was a second-team All-American choice.

"He was our defensive captain," Cooper said. "He's a very coachable young man. He's got quickness, good ball reaction. Goes to the football. Plays the run exceptionally well. His strong suit is playing the run."

"It's real important to me the way other people feel about me," the soft-spoken Smith admits. "I guess it's not to some people. It is for me."

"I try to treat everybody right. If I can help anybody in anything, I do. I see eye to eye with everybody down at the dorm. I don't have any enemies that I know of."

Smith's play was one of the major reasons Tulsa enjoyed such a turnaround last season. The Golden Hurricane suffered through a 3-8 record in 1977 in Cooper's first year as head coach when Tulsa was plagued with injuries.

But Tulsa posted a 9-2 record last season, losing only to highly regarded Arkansas and New Mexico State.

Smith says that record and the honors he received really aren't enough.

"I'm never satisfied," he said. "I think that's the biggest mistake you can make. I want to be the best football player I can possibly be whether that's better than anybody else or not."

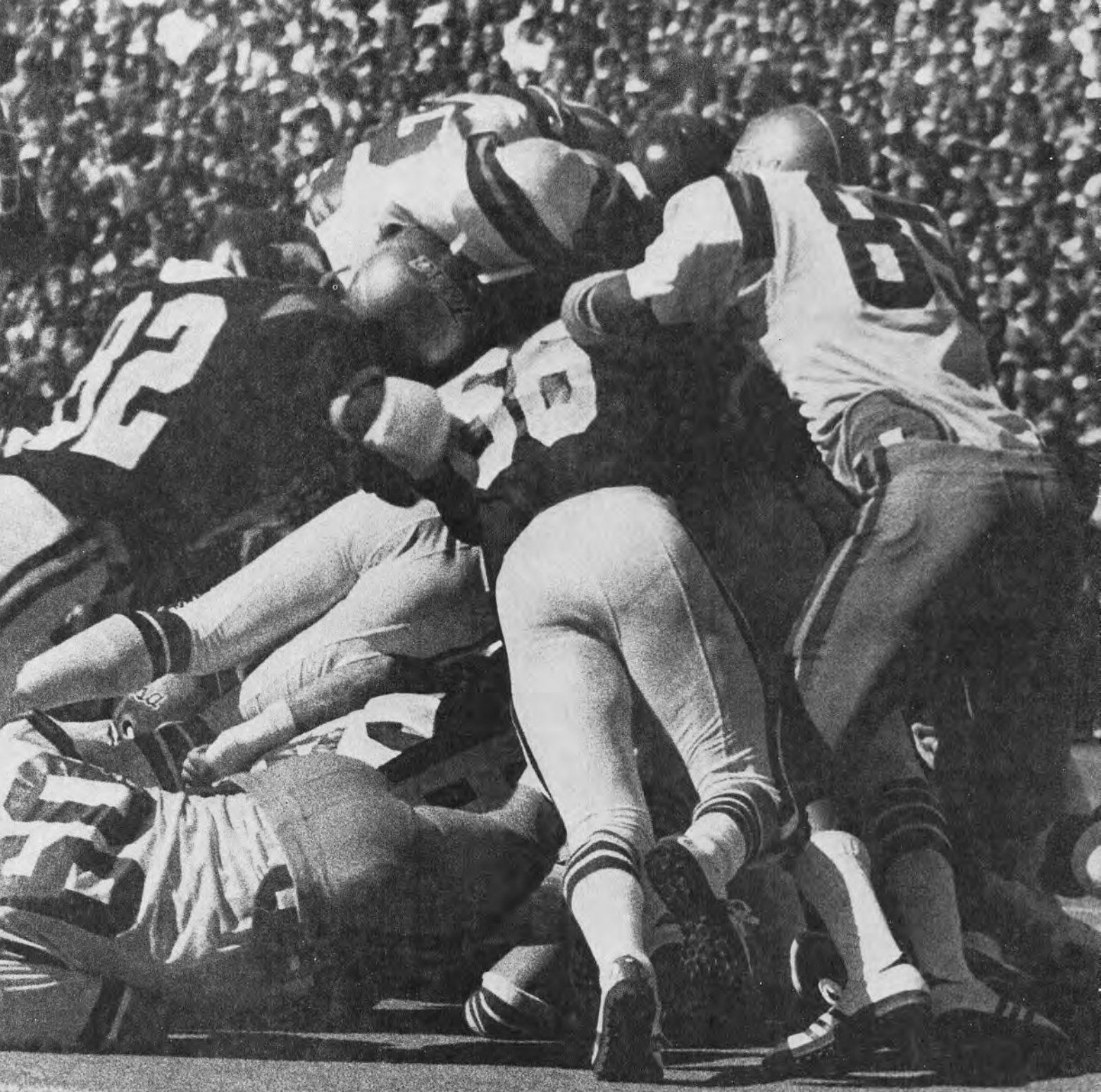
Smith and the Golden Hurricane get a major test in that regard this season. Tulsa meets the University of Oklahoma in football for the first time since 1943.

"Nobody thinks we have a chance," Smith said. "We'll see. I know

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Tulsa's Don Purifoy bats down a pass in the Hurricane's 24-14 win over Kansas State.





Over the top for a TD goes Tulsa's Sherman Johnson against a mass of mad Razorbacks.

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there's a big difference in playing OU. But the only way you can tell what kind of player you are is to play against the best. You don't get that much recognition playing Drake. Playing OU you go out and do good against them or beat them, what more can you ask?

"I wouldn't want it no other way."

Ironically, Smith in a sense will be pitted against his high school teammate, David Overstreet, a starting offensive halfback at Oklahoma. They grew up together in Big

Sandy, Texas, and have remained friends.

"The people in Big Sandy are talking about it now," Smith said. "We both came from Big Sandy, population of a thousand people. Not much is going on. Like we're the only two in major college ball. It's a big game for both of us and both of us know it."

Cooper isn't all that enthusiastic about Tulsa's meeting Oklahoma.

"I don't think anybody looks forward to playing Oklahoma," Cooper said. "Oklahoma has one of the great football tradi-

tions and one of the great football teams year in and year out in the country. I've got a great deal of respect for the job Barry Switzer has done at Oklahoma.

"Oklahoma has a better program than we have. Oklahoma went after 10 kids in the State of Oklahoma this year and, to my knowledge, signed nine of them. We didn't beat Oklahoma on a single athlete in the state.

"We're not scared of Oklahoma. Don't misunderstand me. But we're not looking



There are other routes to the end zone for shifty Sherman. Drake's defense was not a stumbling block.

forward to going down and playing them. Now when that day comes when we line up and play against them, our players will play hard. But week in and week out, we can't compete with Oklahoma."

Cooper fears that back-to-back games against Oklahoma and Arkansas could harm the Hurricanes in two ways. He thinks Tulsa could become demoralized, and he hopes Tulsa won't have trouble getting ready to play less highly regarded teams.

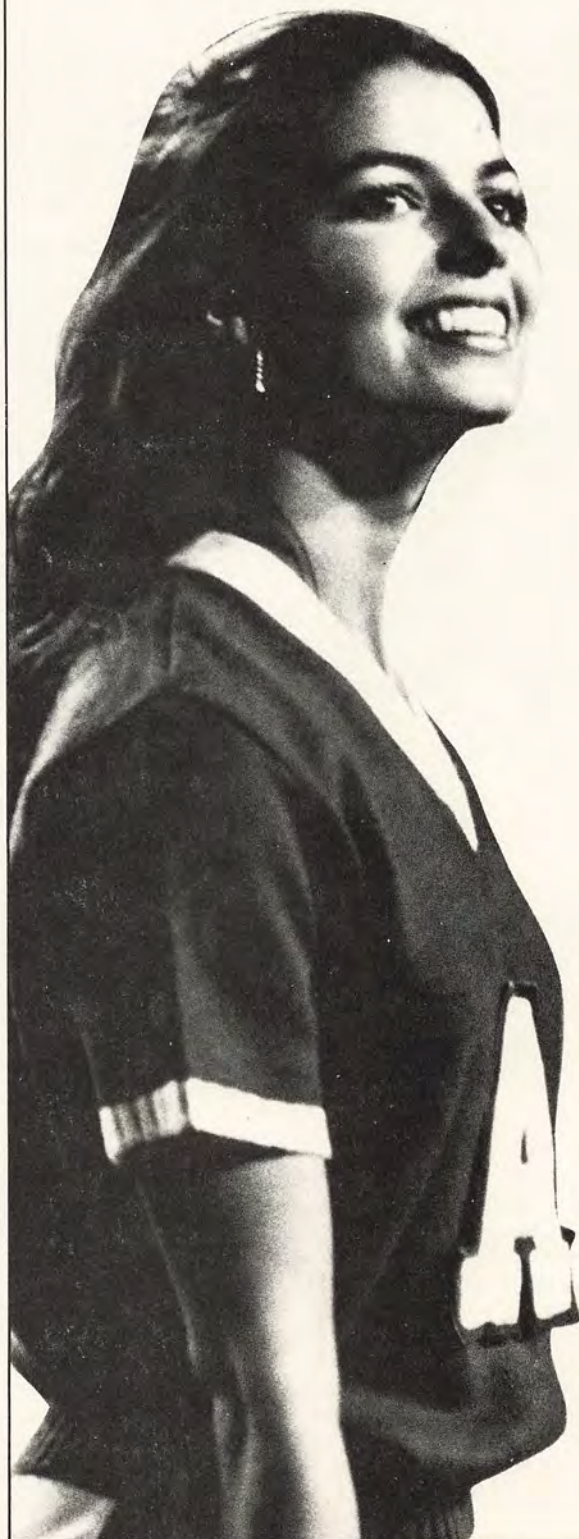
But Tulsa has a chance for another outstanding season. Six offensive and eight defensive starters return from last season. They are center Steve Nicholson, guards Chris Kelly and Steve Orendac, tackle Jeff Schuster, tight end Reno Hutchins and fullback Sherman Johnson on offense and end Don Blackmon, tackles Bob Laird and Don Purifoy, linebackers John Brown and Reggie Epps, safeties Mike Menefee and Smith and cornerback Mike Field on defense.

Blackmon also was a second-team All-American selection by AP. And Johnson led the Hurricanes in rushing last season with 826 yards and an average of 4.9 yards a carry.

However, Tulsa needs to replace quarterback Dave Rader, who passed for 1,683 yards and 14 touchdowns in 1978. The leading candidates for that assignment are Bill Blankenship, who was Tulsa's starting quarterback in 1977, and sophomore Kenny Jackson. **END**

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Louis' Cardinals management structure Bud did feel could be resolved. Within hours of Mallory's dismissal, Tom Osborne, the coach of CU's most bitter rival, Nebraska, was on the phone to Colorado track and field Coach Dean Brittenham, a former Husker aide, letting it be known he was available.

Three days after firing Mallory, Crowder was like a youngster in a candy store with an unlimited allowance.

"The situation is much different than five years ago," Crowder said, remembering his fruitless search for a big name replacement when he gave up coaching at the close of the 1973 season. "The names of some of the coaches who are interested in this job would astound you."

The list was to get longer the following Monday, when Crowder's systematic research to determine the availability or unavailability of EVERY top coach in America (he even talked to Don Shula, for example) unearthed the name of Charles Leo (Chuck) Fairbanks.

Crowder had his basic shopping list, though names like UCLA's Terry Donahue (the CU athletic director spent the Sunday before his phone chat with Fairbanks meeting in California with Donahue, the personal favorite of prominent Buff booster Robert Six of Continental Airlines fame), Washington's Don James, SMU's Ron Meyer and Arkansas assistant Monte Kiffin would surface from time to time.

Eddie had a time table, too.

Wilkinson had the right of first refusal. If Bud couldn't push himself to returning to a league where he was a legend (and Crowder feared this the biggest stumbling block), he would turn next to Osborne. On the first Saturday in December, Crowder made his pitch to Osborne, Dr. Tom, the man whose coaching skills had never been appreciated up to this point by the football-mad Nebraskans. Two days later, Osborne and his wife, Nancy, were on the CU campus for a visit.

Both sides agreed a quick decision was necessary. CU had a \$100,000-plus package waiting for Osborne. When he left Boulder late the same afternoon, the betting was Bob Devaney would be looking for a new Nebraska coach the next morning. But the next morning, Osborne climbed out of bed early, flew to Kansas City on the first leg of a recruiting visit, phoned Crowder and turned the job down.

Although he was to say later publicly under oath that he really didn't do a strong selling job on Osborne because of his sudden interest in Fairbanks, Crowder could best have been described as "livid" when he got the word. He clearly felt Osborne had used CU to better his own position, although the only tangible signs which followed were Nebraska's naming

its football coach as an assistant athletic director.

The next few days in the search were hectic, but unproductive. Kiffin struck out on a visit to Denver. Too much in the Mallory-mold, said inside image-makers.

Fairbanks was new on center stage, his Patriots just a game removed from winning the AFC East Division title.

Enter Jack Vickers, President of Vickers Energy Corporation, former owner of the Colorado Rockies, prominent CU booster whose tireless fund-raising efforts helped the big-bucks Flatirons Club build a \$650,000 press box a decade ago and raise a \$1.4 million endowment for the athletic program the school has never had to touch to meet year-to-year expenses.

Vickers was an old friend of Fairbanks because of his own Oklahoma connections. And it was Vickers who had brought Crowder and Fairbanks back together, after the two had a bitter argument over Sooner spying on CU practice sessions, ahead of a 20-14 Buff upset, which cost Chuck's final Oklahoma team the 1972 national championship.

It was Vickers who was chosen to carry the details of Colorado's offer to Fairbanks—an offer which was to include a \$45,000 base salary, a \$10,000 expense account, \$90,000 from television and radio shows, and untold other dollars from promotional appearances plus, of course, a chance to occasionally get in on the ground floor of Vickers' investment schemes. Vickers met in the Patriots' office with Fairbanks, Saturday, December 9, then called Crowder as he flew home in his private plane. "Chuck waits until Wednesday to make a decision," Crowder confided. "I told Jack we had to have an answer by Sunday night."

Crowder waited. Fairbanks had the additional 72 hours. By Tuesday, reports of the Colorado offer to Fairbanks were published in Boulder. They were discounted initially by Boston writers, who found it difficult to believe the coach of a successful NFL team would leave to take over a floundering college program.

Wednesday night, Crowder admitted he had a coach. But the charade wasn't over. Suddenly the CU athletic director and Rautenstrauss became name-droppers, obviously in an effort to cover for Fairbanks while he awaited a weekend meeting in Florida with Pats' owner William J. (Billy) Sullivan. Every coach who had ever "danced" with CU or kept the Buffs on the string was suddenly rumored as a candidate again—Wilkinson, Osborne and Jerry Claiborne, the Maryland coach who was the man CU wanted when Crowder stepped out five years ago.

But this was too much of a secret to keep. Ron Ehrhardt, the offensive co-

ordinator who eventually was named as Fairbanks' replacement with the Pats, admitted to old friends in the Rockies that Chuck wanted the job. From Arkansas, Kiffin reported he had been told to look elsewhere because the CU job belonged to Fairbanks.

The fun had just begun.

When Fairbanks went to tell owner Sullivan he was leaving the night before the Patriots' season-ending game at the Orange Bowl against the Miami Dolphins, the popular Irishman was wild.

No man was going to walk out on *him* with four years remaining on his contract. He suspended Fairbanks from coaching in the final regular-season game, reinstated him two days later to coach in the playoffs (the Pats were buried 31-14 by Houston), went to court in early January and obtained a preliminary injunction against Colorado from signing the coach.

It was around that injunction, issued by a former Harvard end, Judge David Mazzone, around which Colorado had to operate for nearly three months.

The whys of the switch became apparent early.

Fairbanks, who had spent most of his adult life in the southwest, never felt comfortable in New England. Neither did his family. A daughter left home to live with another relative in Dallas. Fairbanks, at one time, considered leaving football to take over an automobile dealership in Dallas. There was a mutual respect between coach-general manager Fairbanks and owner Sullivan, but neither particularly cared to socialize with the other.

On the social scale, the Patriots were far down the scale in snobbish New England, when compared to college programs Fairbanks had been around.

"For some period of time, I have been looking for and considering alternatives to professional coaching," Fairbanks said, at the time the move was first announced. "I had nothing specific in mind. There is no way I could tell my family or myself that this was something I was going to be doing during the rest of my productive career."

There was no mistaking the elder Sullivan's will to fight, with son Chuck leading the legal assault.

The Pats' owner suggested he had a million dollars invested in the development of the Fairbanks program, that had turned the team from an NFL nobody, into Super Bowl hopeful.

"He (Fairbanks) is not outgoing, not a 'hail fellow' well met," Sullivan said. "But his sincerity, his integrity, if you will, had come through nicely to the fans and to the media. So my feeling, very frankly, is that it isn't merely what was done, it was the manner in which it was done that was very upsetting to me."

"I said, 'Coach, we cannot set a precedent. If we let anyone walk away just because it's nice for their family,' our players would start walking in and say, 'You know, Mr. Sullivan, I am under contract, but I would love to live in this place . . ."

"I'm old-fashioned, but I don't think ethics makes any difference whether it's in college or in professional football or in business. I just think that if you have a contract, you should live up to it, and this man—I think it's worse because he is the leader of the band."

The Eastern media, ignorant of the ways of major college football, rallied behind the winner. Sullivan initially maintained he wanted Fairbanks, not money, back.

In mid-January, Fairbanks appeared at a district court hearing in Boulder—the hearing which eventually mandated the case back to arbitration by NFL Commissioner Pete Rozelle, there could be no misunderstanding over Fairbanks' position.

"Regardless of whatever happens or regardless of what anybody thinks or what anybody else is saying, I live in a country where I don't think I have to coach the New England Patriots and I'm not going to," Fairbanks said under oath.

He was a man of his words.

His last duties as an NFL coach were performed at the Pro Bowl on January 29. He already had been busy lining up a staff and recruiting, as later court depositions were to show, sometimes at the Pats' expense.

Fairbanks returned to Boulder February 10 and had a minor role in what was to be a very ineffective recruiting campaign for the school, which didn't get more than half-a-dozen blue chippers in a group of 28 prep and junior college signees. Colorado lost four of the top in-state players plus running back Daryl Minor, the California small school JC player of the year who was on the campus four days before enrolling at Oregon State.

Both sides sat back to wait. The University, fearing a contempt citation if Fairbanks did his waiting in Boulder, ordered the coach back home to Foxboro for the duration of the feud in early March. Fairbanks had not been named in the Boston court suit aimed at the University, Crowder, the school's regents and Vickers.

The Patriots talked of a million dollar settlement. Crowder vowed CU wouldn't spend a dime. Fairbanks quietly told friends he was getting every nickel in deferred compensation due him from Sullivan.

As spring practice neared on the college campus and both sides approached season ticket renewals, things heated up in late March. The Patriots demanded back team playbooks in the hands of CU coaches. Also training films owned by the

pro team. They accused Fairbanks of NCAA recruiting violations.

While the Pats pressed for a contempt citation again CU, the school plotted plans to:

—Push through congressional representatives for anti-trust inquiries into the NFL;

—Attempt to trigger an IRS investigation over player values set by the Pats for tax purposes;

—Urge Fairbanks to seek through the courts an audit of the Pats' operation as it pertained to bonus payments he had received from the team based on club profits.



Fairbanks was extremely successful at Oklahoma before accepting the Patriots lucrative offer.

Meanwhile, there were owners in the NFL seeking a more reasonable solution, particularly if CU was willing to make some form of payment to Sullivan. Oilers' owner Bud Adams knew Vickers and the late Carroll Rosenbloom of the Rams was an acquaintance of Six.

"I didn't like it, but eventually came down to nothing more than a business decision," Vickers said. "It's easy to say we should have done this or done that, but when you're operating under a federal court order, it's difficult. I disagree totally with Mr. Sullivan's position and I still can't understand the court rulings. I've had many employees come to me and want out of contracts to pursue other opportunities. I've always let them go. And I've found out some of the best deals I've made in my business have been with these same people."

The NFL owners obviously were concerned over what the future might hold when they coveted a college coach under contract. Earlier in March, the Philadelphia Eagles had hired new CU assistant Lynn

Stiles when a vacancy cropped up, even though the former San Jose State head coach had a contract in Boulder.

"I really think what turned it was when Chuck made up his mind to go back if there wasn't a settlement before spring ball started," Vickers said. "It would have been a very nasty situation for the Patriots. They didn't want him back."

With the power to hire and fire anywhere within the organization below the ownership level, Fairbanks was holding at least one ace if he did return.

"Considering all the circumstances, I think the settlement was a good deal," said Vickers, who suggested the \$200,000 payment from the school's Flatirons Club wouldn't do much more than cover the cost of the Pats' legal fees. Fairbanks gave up \$105,000 in compensation due him from the Pats at a later date. Fairbanks, Crowder and the University absorbed their respective legal fees.

And two days later, on April 4, Fairbanks went about the business of rebuilding the football program at a school which has more of its ex-players in the NFL than any other institution except Southern Cal.

Initial attempts to keep terms of the settlement secret did not go over well in Colorado, with Governor Richard Lamm rightfully lambasting the school. There were calls for the ouster of Crowder from some members of the Board of Regents, who reportedly give the athletic director only a 6-3 support at this point. Rautenstrauss, in a bitter feud with the state legislature over funding cuts which could cost the University its education school, more than 100 professors jobs and five per cent of its enrollment cap, had already resigned.

At the very least, the football hullabaloo, created an embarrassment for the school.

But there's little doubt Colorado has acquired a coach capable of meeting the criteria set down by Crowder.

"Chuck's the kind of coach Colorado needs to build a national championship program," said Steve Owens, a Heisman Trophy-winning I-back for Fairbanks at Oklahoma.

"He's the kind of guy who wouldn't do anything without thinking everything through. He wouldn't do it unless he wanted the challenge. I've never been around a coach with more class. He's a great friend. I'm sure his family will enjoy living in the West again. I've been very close to them for years."

Fairbanks will find a hoard of friends on the sidelines of Big Eight rivals. Oklahoma's Barry Switzer, Oklahoma State's Jim Johnson and Kansas State's Jim Dickey all were on his Sooners staff.

Fairbanks made only one promise.

"I know what it takes to win at this level and mark this down—we will win." **END**

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Among football writers, George Lapiques is a restaurant buff. He keeps a grade book. George knows the score. While there are admittedly many outstanding establishments, Athlon's Top 10 and this story are based on what we know, not what we hear.

by George Lapiques

Not everything is over-sized in Texas.

Lowake is little. Give or take one or two, it's population is 25 . . . and holding.

It's work just to find Lowake. It's near Ballinger, which is near Abilene, which is near Fort Worth. To put it more precisely, it is on Highway 381, roughly halfway between Ballinger and San Angelo.

Neither is it easy finding a Lowake phone number. That's because Lowake's area code isn't listed in the Texas phone directory. If you know exactly what you're looking for, you might find a Lowake phone number if you ask the operator to check the town of Rowena. If you really know what you're doing, you tell the operator that the Lowake phone numbers are listed in Ballinger.

Rose Lorfin is the postmaster—or is it postmistress?—in Lowake. She says the number of box holders there is 24 . . . and holding.

Rose also works the cash register at the Original Lowake Inn. Her husband, Phil, used to be the cook there. Nineteen years ago he bought out the owner and hired someone to help him work the stove.

The Lorfin's Original Lowake Inn is a steak house. There is none quite like it anywhere.

College football recruiters who criss-cross the state looking for the best high school players regard the

Original Lowake Inn as the best steak place in the whole country. Practically any night prior to signing date, the safest bet this side of Notre Dame over Navy is that a sizeable gathering of assistant coaches will meet fairly

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late at night in the Lowake Inn to chow down and mull over their recruiting successes or failures.

They won't be alone in the place. The Original Lowake Inn seats 10 times as many people as live in the town. Much of the time, the inn is full.

"We ain't fancy," Rose Lorfing was saying as she made change for a customer. "We just put food on the table, plain and simple."

The Original Lowake Inn sits a couple of hundred yards in front of a cotton gin. An airplane landing strip used to be between the gin and the restaurant. Texans with their own planes used to fly in from as far away as Dallas—240 miles—to have supper at the Lowake Inn. But about three years ago, the woman who owned the property behind the Inn decided to close the landing strip. She turned the strip into a cotton patch.

"Maybe one day we'll be able to get that land and re-open the landing strip," Rose Lorfing said with a sigh. "We'd sure like to accommodate all those people who like to fly in."

Some still fly in anyway. Rumor has it that more than one landing has been accomplished on Highway 381. But most fly in at the strip in Ballinger. Rose or Phil Lorfing or one of their 13 employees drives to Ballinger to pick up the customers.

The steaks are good, but it's probable that the reputation of the place makes them taste better than they really are. The Lorfings say their steaks are better than those anywhere else because they are well-acquainted with their beef. Every steak sold grazed within a few miles of the restaurant.

It also helps that the Lorfings age their steaks in a vault adjacent to their restaurant. Veteran customers insist the Lorfings also have a secret seasoning touch. The Lorfings won't say.

The volume of beef sold in the Original Lowake Inn is enormous, about 2,000 steaks a week. Practically every cut—filet, ribeye, sirloin and T-bone—is offered. Prices are very moderate . . . no steak on the menu sells for more than 10 bucks. The 10-ounce filet—which Rose says is Phil's special cut—goes for \$7.50.

"Some folks from right around here come to our place every single day for either lunch or supper," said Rose.

"And we've got a whole bunch of people who drive all the way from Coleman at least three times a week to eat with us. That's a 160-mile round trip. And on weekends, we always have people from Dallas who drive over for supper."

That statement may be the best possible recommendation for the Original Lowake Inn. Dallas is 240 miles away. A trip of 480-miles for Phil's special cut is proof enough that it's something special.

One doesn't just eat steak at Lowake Inn. Beer is served in frozen mugs, which may not sound all that special until one sees the 96-ouncer delivered to a table. It takes strength just to pick up a mug that large. Nothing except the mugs—not the French fries, not the onion rings, not the homemade bread, not the German sausage and never a steak—is frozen at the Lowake Inn.

There are other restaurants which serve steaks that are as tasty as those at the Original Lowake Inn (the Lowake Steak House down the road is not an original and not as good). Bern's in Tampa is extra good. So are the Golden Ox in Kansas City and the Tenderloin Room in St. Louis' Chase Park Plaza Hotel and Pietro's in New York City. There is a steak house near Baton Rouge (see ratings) that is unmatched anywhere, but somehow the Original Lowake Inn has carved a niche of its own.

Try it. You'll like it.

Texans also like to boast of having the best chili anywhere, which is only natural since Texans are known as boosters. The Cowboys' Gil Brandt swears there's a place in Dallas which makes the greatest chili in the world. He likes it so much he sent 400 pounds to last winter's NCAA Convention in San Francisco and had it served to the athletic directors, coaches and assorted free-loaders at a Cowboy hospitality room.

Brandt has earned a reputation as one of football's more knowledgeable talent scouts. He has uncovered players from colleges that some pro clubs didn't know fielded teams. He's almost as effective as a chili connoisseur.

Almost, but not quite. Gil's place in Dallas is good.

But Charlie Porubsky makes the best chili anywhere. Well, that's not quite

right. Charlie Porubsky's mother, Catherine, makes the very best chili. Charlie's is No. 2.

He insists that his is just as good as his mother's.

"She went on a vacation to Hawaii right in the middle of last football season and stayed gone almost the whole month of October," said Charlie. "I made the chili every day and it was just as good."

Charlie's place—which isn't the name of his place—isn't as far off the beaten track as the Original Lowake Inn.

Members of University of Nebraska's official football family eat often at Charlie's. They don't know exactly where it is.

"It's down by the railroad tracks," said Don Bryant, Cornhuskers' sports information director. "His chili is awesome."

Charlie says Bryant is one of his best fans.

Charlie's place is really a grocery store. It's in Topeka . . . actually North Topeka. The official name of Charlie's place is Porubsky's Grocery. It's no supermarket. It's not even a big store.

"We sell a little bit of everything," Charlie says.

For six months a year, Charlie sells a whole lot of chili . . . in what he calls a tavern on one side of the grocery. It seats 30 on benches.

There is a certain regimentation to the chili procedures at Charlie's. It is served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. only, and only on Mondays through Thursdays and only from October 1 to April 1.

"We don't serve chili for supper because we're not open at night," is Charlie's remarkably simple explanation for 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. "We don't serve chili on Fridays because we're too busy getting in supplies at the grocery store to make it and we don't serve chili after April 1 because when it starts to get warm, people don't want to eat it."

But from 11 to 2, Mondays through Thursdays, October 1 to April 1, you wouldn't believe how much chili Charlie sells.

"We make 25 to 30 gallons every morning and by two every afternoon, it's all gone," said Charlie. "People line up every day outside the store waiting to get in. They line up if it's raining, if it's

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Everything a wagon was.



Perhaps the time has come when even the biggest 9-passenger wagon you can find is dwarfed by the number of people and possessions you have to cart around. Not to worry, family travellers, GMC brings you the Rally Wagon. A big family vehicle where seating for an even dozen is available. And that's *seating with style*, as you can see from the expressions of this happy tribe.

The interior shown is called the Rally STX. Notice that the upholstery is a snappy Glen Plaid. The front seats are the available reclining and swivelling bucket type; each one having two, large retractable armrests.

The instrument panel houses all the usual gauges, dials, and indicators. And, of course, you can equip any Rally Wagon model with all sorts of carlike extras: air, stereo, Cruise Control, tilt steering wheel.

But a few things you'll always find on a GMC Rally Wagon that you would never find on the station wagons of yesteryear, or any year for that matter, are: A huge 44-inch sliding side door to welcome you all aboard. A great, "over-the-car-tops" view of the road from behind the large windshield. And available rear seats which are completely removable for added cargo room.

GMC's 1979 Rally Wagon. Just the thing for families who like to travel together. Without getting shoved together.



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snowing, if it's as cold as all get out. We know that we'll sell every gallon we make."

In addition to chili, customers usually order a plate of cold cuts and build their own sandwiches.

Charlie does a big catering business.

"People want our cold cuts for wedding parties," he said. "We don't get many chili calls for weddings. If we did, we wouldn't cater chili anyway. The only chili we sell is on Mondays through Thursdays, from 11 a.m. to . . ."

Yeah, Charlie, we know. You're a little obstinate about your chili. You know it's good.

So do we.

And then, there is barbecue. Not steak cooked over charcoal, sliced and served on a roll or biscuit . . . called barbecue in Texas.

And not roast beef with a little sauce poured over it . . . called barbecue in the East.

And not spare, loin or pork ribs . . . as barbecue is called in the West and other areas.

And not chicken cooked over an outdoor grill . . . called barbecue in many places.

If not all that, then what is barbecue? Barbecue is something indigenous to a small part of the South . . . an area encompassing the northern parts of Alabama and Mississippi, West Tennessee, Central and East Arkansas and some isolated parts of South Carolina. Barbecue—or Bar-B-Q—anywhere else is only an impersonation of the real stuff.

The real barbecue is a pork shoulder or a ham smoked for many hours—10 to 16—in a special oven. The secret to its success is its sauce.

Barbecue became popular when it made it to the cities . . . Memphis and Little Rock. In Little Rock, a place called The Shack made barbecue a big seller. In Memphis, it was Leonard's. Both have changed ownership and both lost a lot in the switches. But other establishments have taken their place. In Memphis, Gridley's is said to sell more than a million dollars a year. Like Leonard's once did, it attracts customers from throughout the South. A Texan—visiting Memphis for the first time—was taken to Gridley's. "Never seen anything which looks like this before," he said as he eyed the huge

plate of chopped pork put before him.

The Texan wasn't much on experimenting. He thought barbecue was beef cut on a grill and served with a roll. He brought the fork to his mouth gingerly.

"Never tasted anything like this before," he said after the first bite. When he finally finished, he said he never tasted anything so good. Memphis is regarded as a barbecue capital. It has at least 50 places which specialize.

But some of the best eating is in nearby towns . . . Bozo's in Mason, Tenn., Hill's in Marion, Ark., and especially Craig's in DeVall's Bluff, Ark.

DeVall's Bluff, population 700, is on Highway 70, some 50 miles from Little Rock. Before Interstate 40 was built, motorists going through the heart of Arkansas rode U.S. 70 through DeVall's Bluff. Lawrence Craig and his brother, Leslie, opened their barbecue stand in the summer of 1947. It did a booming business for 25 years . . . or until Interstate 40 let motorists bypass DeVall's Bluff.

"We still did enough business to make a living," said Lawrence, "but it wasn't like before."

The Craigs smartened up. They opened another barbecue stand . . . in Brinkley, halfway between Memphis and Little Rock and right at an I-40 exit. They sold \$270,000 worth of barbecue and homemade pies there last year. The DeVall's Bluff store did \$200,000.

The overwhelming majority of the barbecue places use pork shoulder. The Craigs make their sandwiches out of ham.

Lawrence Craig is the acknowledged king of the barbecuers. He learned to make it in the late 1930's, when he was a cook on a U.S. Corps of Engineers boat headquartered in Memphis. "I'd make barbecue on Monday nights," he said. "At first, I don't think it was all that good. I experimented with it a lot. It took a while to get the sauce down just right. If you want to know the truth, most barbecue is the same. The secret is in the sauce."

Lawrence Craig won't reveal the secret. Neither will brother Leslie.

"On those Saturdays the Razorbacks are playing, you wouldn't believe how many people stop at our places and try to get us to give them the recipe

for the sauce," said Lawrence. "Razorback fans regard us as an institution . . . I think they like our barbecue almost as much as they like their football team."

Most travelers haven't read much about places such as the Original Lowake Inn in Texas and Porbusky's in Topeka and Craig's in DeVall's Bluff. You don't find them in the Mobil Travel Guide or in the underground gourmet books and you certainly wouldn't know about them from Craig Clairborne or Holiday Magazine.

People in the football crowd search out places like those.

People who regularly make football trips are unusual. One night best friends gather in their GMC Rally Wagons and seek dinner at the fanciest, most expensive place in town. Then next, they'll settle for a truck stop.

A survey of the dining spots indicates that there is no correlation between the best restaurants and the best football towns. In fact, the only college town which produces first class teams and which also has a restaurant that would qualify as one of the top 10 in the nation is Baton Rouge, which practically everyone knows is the home of the LSU Bayou Bengals, but which many may not know is the home of the very best steak restaurants in the United States.

It's called Ruth's Chris Steak House . . . Ruth's because it was owned by Ruth Fertel of New Orleans, who purchased the restaurant from another woman named Chris. Most people call the restaurant Chris' and most call the steaks spectacular. Chris' used to be in Dutchtown, a Baton Rouge suburb, but moved several months ago into the heart of the city, just off I-10, not too far from Tiger Stadium. Now, it is owned by neither Ruth nor Chris, but by Tom Moran, who is friendly with most of the LSU athletic brass.

Chris' has become what amounts to a small chain. There are four in New Orleans, the best at 711 Broad Street. A frequent customer there is Archie Manning, Saints' quarterback. There also is a Chris' in Lafayette, Shreveport, Houston and one which Moran just opened in Jackson, Miss. For some reason, the one in Baton Rouge is the best.

Chris' shrimp remoulade appetizer is

out of the world. The steaks are better. There are four kinds on the menu . . . a strip, a filet, a ribeye and a porterhouse. All but the porterhouse sell for \$12.50. All are mammoth. Big eaters have a tough time finishing. Doggie bags are furnished. The porterhouse is served for either two, three or four. Starting price is \$25 for two.

Chris' buys beef in Chicago, receives shipments twice a week. Steaks are cut each night. The Chris' in Baton Rouge sells about 1,200 a week. There's little else on the menu except live Maine lobster and crab legs. Don't order them. Anything but a steak at Chris' is a big mistake. Good lobster and crab legs can be had at a lot of places. A steak like those at Chris' can't. Another must at Chris' is the garlic bread.

There's one other item unmatched at the Chris' in Baton Rouge . . . blueberry cheese cake. Judy Byers, the manager, makes it. The other restaurants in the chain offer the cake, too. Each has Judy's recipe but she can't bake for each place. It's good at the other places, unreal in Baton Rouge.

Chris' is unpretentious and informal, wonderfully plain. Fancy dress is out of order. The danger at Chris' is that it will grow too large, that it will become a serious chain, an assembly line restaurant where everything from the appetizer to dessert tastes just alike. But for now, Chris' is unspoiled by its success.

And now for the ratings, the Athlon Publications' first Top 10 Restaurant Guide. The ratings carry only one stipulation . . . only one restaurant per city or town qualifies.

1. Le Bec Fin in Philadelphia . . . fixed prices . . . limited menu . . . the chef, George Perrier, is the owner . . . dinner served in two seatings a night, at 6 and 9 . . . meal is six-courses, including dessert . . . small, intimate, luxurious and expensive, more than \$100 a couple counting drinks, wine and tip . . . worth every cent and then some . . . located in the downtown area . . . can't go wrong with any selection . . . if you are going to a Penn State game at State College or to Philly to see the Eagles, Temple or Villanova, then you've missed the real highlight if you pass up this restaurant.

2. L'Orangerie in San Francisco . . . like Le Bec Fin, also French . . . ser-

vice may be the best of any restaurant in the country . . . veal dishes are indescribable . . . salads unreal . . . Grand Marnier dessert unbelievable . . . also very expensive . . . located on O'Farrell Street right in the heart of the city . . . if you're in the neighborhood, at Berkeley to watch the California Golden Bears, in Palo Alto to see Stanford or anywhere else nearby, save your money and eat one meal at L'Orangerie . . . and then treat yourself to a Big Mac the next night.

3. Cafe Chauveron on Bay Harbor Island . . . Bay Harbor is more or less Miami Beach . . . Charley Thornton, who left Alabama last spring to become athletic director at the University of Miami, should be encouraged to do all of his entertaining at Chauveron . . . This restaurant once was New York's finest before it shut down and moved to Florida in 1972. If you are in Miami for a September football game, you can't go to Chauveron because it closes in June and doesn't re-open until October . . . veal with white wine is wonderful . . . don't pass up the chocolate mousse, even though you may be encouraged to order the fresh strawberries and cream.

4. Le Madrigal on E. 53rd St. in New York City . . . picking one restaurant in the city which has more great ones than any other is like sending Muhammad Ali into the ring with instructions that he can't jab . . . Madrigal was declared the champ of New York primarily because of the sauces on its fish and seafood dishes . . . its vichyssoise may be the best this side of Paris . . . another must is the floating island dessert.

5. Maisonette in Cincinnati . . . the service here nearly matches L'Orangerie and at times the food is the best anywhere . . . the redfish is a spectacular dish and the Beef Wellington is in a league by itself . . . located downtown.

6. Tony's in St. Louis . . . perhaps the best Italian restaurant in the country, it has a sister establishment—Anthony's—a few blocks away that is about as good, except it is French . . . Tony's only drawback is that it doesn't accept reservations . . . the wait in the bar will be . . . the best dishes are the lobster albanello and the canneloni . . . salads are outstanding . . . located in

the downtown area, a short walk from the new convention center.

7. Pascal Manale's in New Orleans . . . also Italian . . . the barbecue shrimp is the restaurant's most famous dish and it shouldn't be passed up . . . but the thing to do here is to go with a group and split several dishes, especially the crab meat Rockefeller, the spaghetti collins and the oysters pan roast . . . reservation system is loose . . . there's always a crowd in the outer foyer, where there's an oyster bar, and the wait to be seated is always a lengthy one, though it helps if you know somebody who knows somebody here . . . located near the Garden District, five or so miles from the French Quarter.

8. Cape Cod Room in Chicago's Drake Hotel . . . the best pure seafood restaurant anywhere . . . the sole dishes are the best, but the turbot and the pompano are close seconds . . . another must is the Bookbinder's soup, which is far superior to any soup offered by either of the Bookbinder's in Philadelphia.

9. The Tower in Los Angeles . . . the best restaurant outside of the Chesapeake area for soft shell crabs, but it offers much more . . . veal, duck, salmon, mussels, scampi . . . probably the best range of any restaurant in the country . . . located on the 32nd floor of the Occidental Tower.

10. Ruth's Chris Steak House in Baton Rouge . . . of the four steaks here, the filet is the best, but it should be ordered rare to medium rare . . . it is practically criminal to order a Chris' steak more than medium-rare and if you prefer them well-done, you shouldn't go there at all. With a salad or shrimp remoulade, an order of onion rings and garlic bread, it takes a big appetite to finish off the filet . . . some order all the trimmings, then split a steak.

There you have them . . . Athlon's Top 10. There'll be disputes . . . there always are. Alabama and Southern Cal haven't finished arguing which was No. 1 last year.

But for this year, at least, we proclaim the national dining champ to be Philadelphia's Le Bec Fin . . . which may be the first time in a long, long time that Philadelphia has won a national title in anything. **END**

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He has 284 wins, a string of 20 consecutive bowl years, other coaches saying he's the smartest that's ever been.

Bear doesn't go for that cotton candy but he's serious about Stagg. He told his recent recruits they'll be in on history happening . . . if he lives. At the rate he's been going, the record will fall in '81.

"I sure hope he breaks it," says Frank Broyles, a smaller legend in his time at Arkansas. "Bear's accomplishment would be a tremendous boost for college football. He is the only one who could ever do it. After he sets the record, it won't be broken. Bear has been more willing to give of himself and his talents than the rest of us."

Bear would have us believe he is nothing special. He calls himself "an ordinary coach who works hard" but has admitted, in moments of weakness, that he was probably the best coach in America when he came back to Alabama in 1957.

"Well, really, I was too old then. I was 46 before our first game. I didn't want to come back, tried to talk 'em out of it. I wanted to be the coach at Alabama a long time ago but I thought we'd waited too late. What I really wanted to do was get to Southern Cal. I'd have been bigger in Los Angeles than John Wayne."

Bear wasn't bad in Tuscaloosa. He went through the first time in '35, played a game despite a broken leg, made second team all-conference, met and married the prettiest girl he's ever seen.

When Ernest Williams, banker, announced Bear was finally coming home, away from a seven-year contract at Texas A&M, he blew a little smoke: "We have secured, to our way of thinking, the best football coach in the country for Alabama."

Tide faithful cheered. Fred Sington, one of the school's all-time greats, still recalls the all-around-town sentiment for Bryant. Oh, he'd just been gone a little while, to be Red Sanders' assistant at Vanderbilt, to head coach a service team during World War II, to Maryland for a year, to Kentucky and the Sugar Bowl, on to College Station, Texas, and the only losing season he's ever suffered, 1-9.

Those Aggies suffered, too. Bryant hauled them on two buses to that infamous training camp at Junction. Only 27 stayed to ride back. All six centers quit. Some said Bear was brutal.

He said he cheated. The price was probation, the product 7-2-1, then 9-0-1, then 8-2 and a bowl trip . . . by which time homecoming had been arranged.

There was magic in Bryant's move to Alabama, fierce pad-poppin' pride that transformed mediocrity into National Championship 1. There was the mean, hard-nosed image, precise organization, discipline, fantastic motivation.

Billy Richardson was in Bear's first class of recruits.

"It was rough! Most of the stories you've heard about Bryant in those early days are true. It was something."

Billy recalls, as a high school senior, reading about what was happening in Tuscaloosa, seeing bits and pieces on TV.

"I got scared just thinking about fall practice. When we freshmen got there, the varsity had been working a week. The squad was down to about 30.

"We checked in, got equipment and went to the field, scared to death. We had to scrimmage the older guys the first day."

Brother Oliver was in that first group, too.

"I remember Coach Bryant making a statement to the effect that before we left, at least by our senior season, we'd be national champions. I remember that."

Tommy Brooker was there, too.

"I remember Coach telling the freshmen the significance of football, what it meant to be playing at the University of Alabama. He told us it would take dedication during our four years, other things it took to be a winner, a champion.

"Most of what he said was over our heads. Four years in the future was like dreaming. We sure thought of what he had said as the time got closer."

Oliver recalls seeing it develop, starting with Bryant's very first game, a 10-point loss to LSU in Baton Rouge. The Tigers, defending national champs, finally won in the fourth quarter.

"You could see it starting right there. Well, I listened on the radio. I didn't believe how well we were playing. That was the beginning."

Lee Roy Jordan was there for the improvement, the peak, the party. He made All-American in '61, prompted Bryant to make the statement that Lee Roy would get 'em all but some run out of bounds.

The great linebacker (Dallas liked him, too) knows why Bear is big.

"More than anything, his success stems from ability to motivate, to inspire. Coach Bryant has a great football mind but more important is his ability to climb inside everyone's minds. He could have made a million as a psychiatrist.

"Coach was always challenging me by mentioning players on other teams, players with bigger reputations. He said I had to make up with quickness what I lacked in size. That would turn me on. A challenge made me go.

"He used encouragement on Butch Wilson. Jimmy Sharpe was on his chew-out list.

"Deep down, Coach Bryant is all heart. He's a sentimental person, a friend for life, a counselor. When I've had problems and called him, I hung up feeling I had talked

to the Great Protector.

"His mind is so sharp. He recalls what other coaches tried against him, down and distance, from years and years ago. He's great at taking a game plan and knowing what to keep and what to throw out.

"That's experience . . . and genius."

Bear thinks of times he lucked out on saying the right things. He recalls a 1960 victory at Georgia Tech as the greatest comeback.

"We were down 15-0 and I didn't know what to do at halftime. I usually had a plan but I was fresh out. If the score had been 6-0, I would have gotten after 'em, made 'em all look me in the eye. I know they expected me to come in ranting and raving and chew some tail but I was afraid if I did, we might lose by 50.

"So, I went the other way. I called for cold drinks, patted 'em on the backs, said the opportunity was just right for us to show Tech what we had in us, what kind of mamas and papas we had."

Alabama won, 16-15, on a last-play field goal by Richard O'Dell.

Bryant, better than a used car salesman, used John F. Kennedy to beat Oklahoma in the 1963 Orange Bowl. JFK visited his good friend Bud Wilkinson before the kickoff, wished the Sooners good fortune.

Bear cashed it in.

"The President being at the game and doing that was a break for us. He visited THEIR dressing room and didn't come to Alabama's. I'm sure Bud didn't want that to happen but I didn't mind a bit."

Jordan remembers the lift, the added incentive, the determination to show Mr. President he had picked the wrong horse.

There is more than good fortune and presidential pickups in Bear's pursuit of Amos Alonzo Stagg. It took guts to suspend quarterback Joe Namath with two games to go in '63, both on TV.

Several Tide players had been drinking and Bryant got the rumor. He asked Joe point-blank. Namath told the truth, took the rap for the group. Bear put him out of the dorm.

"I didn't think we had a chance to win that Sugar Bowl. I had no idea we could."

Steve Sloan was Bear's pick as Joe's replacement.

"Five or six days before the bowl game, I read I was starting," recalls Sloan. "Coach said he wanted me to get the word early so I wouldn't be nervous. I was nervous. I didn't play very well. It was a thrill that I didn't do anything to keep us from winning.

"Some people have ways of doing things that should never be questioned. Coach Bryant is one of those. His way seems to always work."

Namath remembers the suspension as a shock but a fair decision. He says he was

wrong, that the punishment turned out to be a good lesson.

"I'm thankful he's the kind of man he is and that I was able to share my life with Coach Bryant," said Joe.

Namath was in the spotlight many more times, won far more than he lost, but was judged short on a sneak against Texas in the '65 Orange Bowl, a play that would have won the game. Alabama fans grumbled about bad officiating, believing to this day that the quarterback scored.

"We didn't deserve to win," recalls Bryant. "We failed in four cracks from the six. When something means that much to you, you should push people out of the way far enough to remove all doubt."

That's vintage Bryant on coming up short.

Alabama backed into a national championship a year later when No. 1 Michigan State and No. 2 Arkansas lost in bowls and No. 4 Tide took No. 3 Nebraska. It was a classic David and Goliath, poor little country boys against those great big Cornhuskers.

"We believed," said Johnny Calvert, Alabama offensive guard, 5-11, 178. "That was the secret to winning. I attribute that confidence to Coach Bryant. He had faith in us and when he has faith, it is contagious. He told us after we lost the opener that season that we could go on and become a great team."

Calvert recalls Bryant psychology in Miami, on Picture Day, before the bowl show.

"Coach posed with everybody except us offensive linemen. He said he didn't want his picture made with us, that we were too little, that we were going to get hell beat out of us during the game.

"We started talking among ourselves . . . we'd show that so-and-so."

Alabama took a nosedive in the late 60's, twice went 6-5, lost to Vanderbilt, took a 41-14 whipping from Tennessee, bowed to Auburn by 23. Bear seemed much older, too old, in fact, for the modern youth. He still had his growl but no longer looked like chairman of the board. He talked of resigning, said the players were entitled to a better record than he was able to guide them, that Dr. David Mathews, UA president, should take a long look at Alabama football and start checking around for a suitable replacement for the head coach.

"I was once the best coach in the world. But, I've done everything and things aren't as important to me as they used to be," said Bryant. "Football is a young man's game. We've got to be looking for a young coach."

Dr. Mathews refused to take the fake. He decided Alabama would struggle on with the old Bear and try to beat the moths out

of his hide.

Even on the low cycle, the Tide went bowling. Bear, on the plane ride home from Houston and the 1970 Bluebonnet tie with Oklahoma, was diagraming the wishbone on napkins. Those who saw him felt the old man was still searching for a wishbone defense. He was planning ahead.

Bryant knew, after spring practice, Alabama would have trouble winning with the dropback pass. He went to Austin, sat with Darrell Royal, looked at Longhorn film, pondered the wishbone.

Royal spoke at Alabama's coaching clinic that August. Bear was still weighing it. Four days before fall practice, Bryant committed . . . to change and sink or swim.

"A coach is stupid if he doesn't do what is best for his people."

The secret was well kept, to be tested against Southern Cal on the coast. The Trojans were favored by 11. Alabama won, 17-10. Soon thereafter, the old coach started looking younger. Maybe it was something Mary Harmon had put on his hair. There was more bounce in Bear's walk. He was getting to the office at 6 a.m. instead of 6:15.

Paul (Bear) Bryant was about to become the smartest coach in football. He's gone 74-10 with the wishbone.

Bear chuckles about the days of wine and roses.

Alabama was playing at Neyland Stadium in Knoxville, against Tennessee, October 21, 1972. . . Bear has details at his fingertips. The Vols were leading 10-3 with less than three minutes to go. The Tide had been unable to move, stymied by linebackers.

But, Alabama forced a punt and got one more chance with 2:39 showing. Terry Davis hit a pass. Steve Bisceglia broke for 26 to the two. Wilbur Jackson scored. It was 10-9, 1:48 remaining.

Tennessee fans were stunned when Alabama lined up to kick an extra point. Was the great Bear Bryant going for a tie? Did he want a kiss from his sister?

"We had a two-point play in mind but Pat Dye (assistant) talked me out of it," remembers Bear. "Pat reasoned that we could hold Tennessee and get the ball back for a field goal try."

Alabama did hold. Mike DuBose forced Condredge Holloway to fumble on third and 16. John Mitchell recovered for the Red. Davis scored on the next play. Alabama kicked another extra point, won 17-10.

Bryant will never forget the message a Tennessee fan put on him: "It could be you're a smart coach, but for sure you're the luckiest SOB I've ever seen."

Richard Todd thinks Bryant makes

his luck.

"No coach could be more deserving of the collegiate record for most victories," says the former Tide quarterback, now with the New York Jets.

"None is more respected, by other coaches, former coaches, ex-players, even those who didn't play for him.

"Coach Bryant always shoots it to you straight. Some beat around the bush if the question is tough, like why am I not playing. My sophomore season was difficult. I felt I could do the job but Gary Rutledge was the quarterback and was doing well. Coach has respect for his older players but he told me I'd be starting by the third game. The fourth came and went and I wasn't. I asked why. He said I hadn't developed as he had expected . . . just like that."

Todd laughs about his Tide debut, about Coach Bryant, on the Sunday TV replay, saying Richard would make Alabama fans forget Joe Namath.

"I heard him say it. I couldn't believe my ears. It knocked me silly. Later, Coach said he was on medication. I believe that."

Bryant lets quarterbacks think . . . some.

"Coach always told me he didn't mind me running from punt formation, as long as I made it," recalls Todd. "I was six for seven. The only time I missed was my last time."

Bryant has never ceased to amaze Alabama players.

"I used to think he wasn't watching when he'd be up in the tower at practice," says Murray Legg. "I remember screwing up one day and wondering if he was looking. It wasn't two seconds until I found out. Coach Bryant had that bull horn up and was yelling at me. The man doesn't miss a lick."

Marty Lyons says Bryant is the biggest part of the Alabama picture.

"You come to Alabama to win national championships and play for Coach Bryant. Everybody wonders how it is, dreams about what it is like. I'm glad I know. He's been a second father to me."

Steadman Shealy says Coach Bryant influenced him to Alabama, even with Jeff Rutledge entrenched as quarterback.

"I want to be a coach and I knew Coach Bryant emphasized winning. I knew he knew what it takes.

"Coach Bryant is the greatest man I've ever been around. Every year I grow to respect him, to love him more. He is in complete control of Alabama football. Just being around him motivates me."

Jeff Rutledge says Coach Bryant is far more than just the greatest football coach of all time.

"I remember the times he told me I can't play football all my life, that we must be

(continued)



(Top) Bear always sizes up the crowd before battle.
(Below) Murray Legg chases down a ball-carrier.



(Top) One of Bryant's recent stars, Marty Lyons tore up Woody Hayes and Ohio State in the Sugar Bowl a couple of years ago. (Below) Jeff Rutledge guided last year's Tide to a National Crown.
(Alabama's Legend continued)

"I ask for all a player has so I'll know later what I can expect."

prepared. He is concerned about people. He brags about those who have played, even if just a little, that go on to success in other careers. He's always saying 'So-and-so makes more money than I do.'"

Rutledge tells of unforgettable halftime talks and Bryant walks on Saturday mornings with quarterbacks, mostly reviews, what to do in certain situations, who to run behind when it matters most.

"He'd always close those walks with this thought: 'Be brave.' He'd never let us go without telling us to be brave."

Other Bryantisms:

On dedication: "Put everything you've got into anything you do."

On national championships: "You don't win those things that last game against Auburn and you don't win 'em in a bowl. They are won in August and early September, maybe before that, in the summer, when the players are still at home."

On quitters: "If a man is a quitter, I'd rather find out in practice than in a game. I ask for all a player has so I'll know later what I can expect. Because of that, we probably don't have as much fun during the week as some teams but we have more pleasant Saturdays than most."

On polls: "I've never understood how sportswriters can sit in New York or Chicago and tell how good a team is a thousand miles away, especially when they haven't seen it."

On winners: "I can't put into words what one is but I damn sure can recognize one. That's the difference between winning and losing coaches."

On being average: "We've been able to do more with ordinary players because we don't tell them they are ordinary. Our best teams usually had four or five great players and a lot of average ones."

"If a man has the right attitude, even if he is average, he'll work hard enough to play well. As long as he thinks he can be good, that's all that counts."

On the void in coaching: "As soon as the game is over and the singing stops, I start worrying about the next game. If it's the bowl game, I move on to next year. I've missed a lot of enjoyment that should follow victories."

On money, Bear's money: "It does take off the pressure if you're not broke. Being hungry is a great motivation but coaching is a lot more fun if you don't have to do it for a living."

Look out Amos, the Bear is coming over your mountain. **END**



Winter Workouts, Summertime Runs, Pay the Full Price, Have More Fun

What Price Success?

How can a linebacker do it, on a hot September afternoon, perhaps on a hotter artificial floor?

How can he play four fierce quarters of college football at a frantic pace, with bands playing and the multitude calling for greatness and the coach wanting every play thrown for a loss?

How can this man shuck blockers with a forearm, collision tight ends who stray his way, beat back fullbacks at the line of scrimmage, chase down the sprinters who try sweep to the stands?

How can a linebacker or a tackle or a tailback meet the rigorous demands of this game and go dancing Saturday night? The answer is conditioning, preparedness, physical and mental. The man is ready before he goes to the war games. He has something in the bank. Resources remain when games are finished.

To paraphrase Charles Robert Darwin, who said more are born than can possibly survive, more want to play football than can conceivably line up. Only the best achieve a degree of success, arrive at the top, compete and win in high school, college, even the NFL.

Only the strong survive!

Those who play football in the afternoon and dance at dark are STRONG.

"They are also agile, flexible, quick and fast," says Tennessee trainer Tim Kerin, a national expert on what it takes

To paraphrase Charles Robert Darwin, who said more are born than can possibly survive, more want to play football than can conceivably line up. Only the best achieve a degree of success, arrive at the top, compete and win in high school, college, even the NFL.

to be ready and stay healthy in demanding, stress-filled games.

Kerin is a leader in football physical development, an improvement man. He offers a carefully considered plan of winter work outs . . . weights, reaction drills, stretching, jumping, dashing, diet . . . tailored to individual needs. All this is to get ready for spring practice.

"More games are won in January, February and March than in September, October and November," says Kerin. "I tell that to players."

Summer work outs have a different game plan, more distance running, more emphasis on building endurance. By late July, the focal point switches to speed, the goal of more quickness, a direct approach to the

soon-to-start season.

This summer part is not blood, sweat and tears. It is sweat . . . determination . . . hustle . . . sweat . . . mental toughness . . . high ambition . . . sweat. Ask any athletic trainer. Marty Broussard of Louisiana State talks of giving to get.

All over America, professionals who serve teams, from recreation levels to the pros, cling to the old idea that an ounce of prevention is better than two pounds of cure. Preventive maintenance is the thing, an apple a day, go soak up some sunshine, drink Quik-kick for fun (orange, grape, lemon-lime or fruit punch) and quench a thirst while putting back electrolytes lost in perspiration.

Run . . . jump . . . lift . . . stretch . . . run.

Be mentally ready to run and like it. See physical preparation as an investment in great games to come, football before thousands, the toughest of tests, or lunch-league handball, club tennis or businessmen's golf.

Everybody won't grow up to be an All-American linebacker. Everybody doesn't want to be one. Some would rather be quarterbacks and not get dirty. Some don't even want numbers on their front and back. Some just want to be healthy, happy, active and strong.

Get in shape, participate, have a ball (even if you don't play a down in Saturday's big game.) **END**

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The Singing Quarterback

By BERNARD FERNANDEZ

Occasionally the old feeling sweeps over Jim Weatherly, the urge all ex-football players have to don the pads once more.

It passes quickly for Weatherly.

"Those days are gone forever," Jim, now 32, admits. "I'm strictly a has-been athlete now. I play a little touch football on Sundays, but that's about it. And I'm usually hurting after that."

A decade earlier, however, Weatherly starred as Ole Miss' first and only "singing quarterback," a tag applied because of his dual interest in football and music.

As a quarterback, he had the credentials—running and passing his way to 2,584 career yards, fifth highest in all-time Rebel annals.

As a singer, he spent the off-season vocalizing with a group known as The Gordian Knot, picking up spare change while waiting for fall and the opening kickoff.

"While I was at Ole Miss, football was No. 1," Jim says. "Playing quarterback for the Rebels was something I'd dreamed about since I was a kid. Singing was something I did on the side."

But after the 1964 season—Weatherly accounted for 1,296 yards, second-best in the Southeastern Conference—his eligibility expired and Jim was faced with a momentous decision.

Football or music?

Today, Weatherly might be instructing some youngster how to drop back and throw had he not resisted an ultimatum to get a haircut.

"I applied for a graduate assistant's job, helping out with the freshman team," Jim recalls.

"That was in 1964, the first year the Beatles were big, and things were a little different then.

"Only one coach objected to my hair but that was the guy who I was supposed to assist. He told me to get it cut.

"Heck, I had just come from the barber shop but he wanted it shorter still. It wasn't that long, really.

"I had just finished my senior year of eligibility and I felt like I shouldn't have to be treated like a freshman. So I said the hell with it."

That served as the impetus for Weatherly to decide on music. He gathered The Gordian Knot for a crash tour of one-nighters, saving \$2,000, and it was off to Hollywood in quest of fame and fortune.

"The five of us lived in one motel room and we doled out two dollars a day for food to each fellow," Jim recalls. "We played a lot of clubs in the San Fernando Valley and



EDITOR'S NOTE—*Bob Harrison is a black assistant coach at the University of Tennessee and also quite a music fan. One evening a friend mentioned the very talented Weatherly, explaining that he had written many hits for Gladys Knight and the Pips, among others. Harrison didn't believe. His retort was, "No way an Ole Miss quarterback has written hit songs for Gladys Knight...no possible way, man. Next thing you're going to be telling me that guy wrote 'Midnight Train to Georgia.' "*

then went into P.J.'s nightclub where we stayed six months."

The group did all right—P.J.'s had standing room only crowds during their engagement—but disenchantment was setting in.

"We were all heading in different musical directions by this time," Weatherly says. "I wasn't sure I wanted to be a member of a group. I wanted to be a solo artist and to get there I started writing songs for other performers."

The Pontotoc, Miss. native eventually signed on with the music publishing company that handled the Jim Nabors variety show. Weatherly stayed on two and one half years, writing 60 songs for Nabors.

But Weatherly received another jolt when the Nabors show was canceled. Another momentous decision loomed.

"I had saved \$7,000 and I decided I'd better get my life straight—stay in music or go back to the south and coach football.

"I was only going to stay as long as the \$7,000 lasted. I felt that if I hadn't established myself by then, I was getting out."

Ironically, it was at one of the Sunday touch football outings that Weatherly met Larry Gordon, a young recording executive and fellow Mississippian who had a game plan for the former Rebel quarterback.

"Larry and I had the same ideas about music and we just hit it off," Jim says. "At last I had found somebody who felt as I did about my music."

Since then, everything has been coming up roses for Weatherly.

He is the prime composer of recent hits by Gladys Knight and the Pips, most notably "Neither One Of Us" and "Midnight Train To Georgia"—both No. 1 on the charts.

He also is recording himself and his third album, "The Songs of Jim Weatherly," was well received.

"Things really worked out well," Jim says. "I turned out to be a better musician than a football player. Heaven knows where I'd be if I had stayed in football.

"But I'm still a sports nut," he confides. "I go to the Los Angeles Rams games whenever I can and my mother still sends me clippings of the Ole Miss games." **END**

Radio and College Football: It Starts with Mutual



The Mutual Broadcasting System's involvement with college football has been growing throughout the years, and the past 12 years have seen Mutual develop into the strongest "voice" for the college game in the nation.

Perhaps Mutual is best known for being the national network for Notre Dame football. The network has been broadcasting "Fighting Irish" games on a continuing basis since 1968. Over 300 stations in all 50 states carry the Notre Dame broadcasts.

While the Irish are an integral part of Mutual's college football schedule, there's more to the story. Prior to 1968, the network was involved heavily in college football broadcasts, featuring a "game of the week" format. Now, in addition to the 11 regular season Notre Dame games, Mutual schedules an average of nine other major college games each season. All of the top teams in the college game have been featured in these schedules, and Mutual has broadcast many of college football's greatest games.

Mutual has been there for the traditional battles between Ohio State and Michigan, Southern Cal and UCLA, Army and Navy, Oklahoma and Nebraska, Texas and Texas A&M and many more. In fact, it was one of these key rivalries that created a problem during a Mutual broadcast.

Weather is always a factor in college football, and when Mutual's

"I noticed the bass drum in the Pitt band was at about the 50-yard line before the game started, so for the rest of the game, I just counted from the bass drum, forward and backward."

"Voice of the Fighting Irish," Al Wester, was broadcasting the Pitt-Penn State game two seasons ago, the snow began to fall early in the first quarter. By halftime, the yard markers were completely covered with snow, leaving Wester in a quandary about yardage and exactly where the teams were on the field. Al was observant, though, and he recalled how he solved the problem.

"I noticed the bass drum in the Pitt band was at about the 50-yard line before the snow started, so for the rest of the game, I just counted from the bass drum, forward and backward. I don't know if the guy ever moved, but I guess it was close enough."

Once the regular season ends, Mutual has a full slate of the best in post-season bowl games including the Orange Bowl, Sugar Bowl, Gator Bowl, Liberty Bowl, Hall of Fame Classic and East/West Shrine Game. This season, Mutual is adding the Holiday Bowl in San Diego to the line-up. Wester

remembered another moment when things didn't go according to plan prior to a college all-star game in Chicago.

"We hopped in a cab at the hotel and told the driver to take us to the ball game. Well, we weren't paying too much attention, and the cabbie, not knowing any better, took us out to Wrigley Field for the Cubs baseball game. That ride around town cost us about \$35."

In spite of these unusual occurrences, Mutual has been there for some of college football's greatest games. The late Van Patrick, Mutual's director of sports for many years and the "Voice of Notre Dame football," described the action at the 1973 Sugar Bowl when Notre Dame and Alabama met in what many call the greatest college game of all time. The Irish won, 24-23, and Van and Al both have claimed it was the best game ever.

Mutual's national schedule is supplemented by an impressive schedule in the Southwest, where the Mutual Southwest Radio Network broadcasts the entire schedule of Southwest Conference games . . . 63 total games.

Saturday, November 24, will mark the first time a college football game being played in Japan will be broadcast nationwide. The University of Miami "Hurricanes" will play international host to Notre Dame that day in Tokyo, and Mutual will be there, proving once again that Mutual Radio is synonymous with college football.

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National Recruiting Roundup

Who says who's best?

Dr. Charles Holland, football analyst and computer scientist, has combined his longtime knowledge of the game with his professional skill to provide America's most accurate forecast of outstanding college talent. Dr. Holland of Oak Ridge, Tn., is an Alabama man who closely followed Georgia Tech until Tennessee regrouped. He refuses to permit his emotions inside the computers. The selection system is a complicated power rating of states, a classified input from college recruiters, careful screening of all-state teams and a bit of intuition. The combination puts him far ahead in net results.

by Marvin West

The lion hunters are home. . . behold the young lions! The toughest job in college football, rounding up recruits, pauses for a few minutes this time of year. New pins are in the map, new trails cleared for another chase.

The merry-go-round never really stops. It slows so the riders can get clean shirts and underwear. The dust settles just enough to look back and see the prizes of the previous race.

They are now fantastic freshmen, soon to be in numbers and pads, destined to lift their schools in the polls and send them to bowls.

The names are the same, only the order changes. There is always Notre Dame, USC, Alabama, UCLA, Oklahoma, Michigan, Texas, Penn State, Nebraska . . . and more recently, Tennessee.

Who won in recruiting?

We say, "Southern Cal."

You say, "So, what else is new?"

We say, "Would you believe Southern Methodist?"

You say, "No way!"

The Mustangs are high, national No. 2, kicking their heels toward the future. SMU was a stunning success in Texas and Texas was a wonderful place to hunt.

Coach Ron Meyer knows there is controversy and sore feelings in the wake of his greatest accomplishment but he is pleased to have the best of the young lions . . . running back Eric Dickerson, 6-3, 202, of Sealy, Tex., joining up with SMU.

There are some hot-as-Texas questions about broken promises and a new Trans-Am but strife was predictable. Oklahoma had Dickerson measured as a Sooner. Eric said Texas A&M would be his home. At the moment of truth, national letter-of-intent day, Eric Dickerson decided Dallas would be better.

No, he didn't go directly to the Cowboys. Later.

Why is Dickerson No. 1?

"Well, he's pretty good," says Ralph Harris, head coach at Sealy, eight exits west of Houston on I-10.

Coach Harris considers meaningful

Dickerson's close-to-6000 yards, his 9.4 speed in the 100, his moves of pure magic.

"What his future is, nobody knows," says the prep coach. "I can tell you about his past. I've been doing this 11 years and Eric is the best I've been around."

"I've seen Billy Sims (Heisman hero, senior at Oklahoma). He's right good. Most say Sims is better than Dickerson. I say Eric is young and, best I can tell, not lacking in anything."

The coach says it takes a genuine stick to bring down Eric, that the young Mustang will run right through arm-tackles. Just so you'll know the coach isn't stretching it, there's a piece of film.

Eric Dickerson, on his last play against Wylie, the one that decided the state championship, caught this little screen pass at the 35 and took it on in. He broke seven tackles . . . seven . . . count 'em.

"That won the game," said Coach Harris.

It won the world!

Eric Dickerson is just a typical small-town Texas athlete, the coach says, sort of quiet until he was caught up in the national spotlight.

"I reckon he said some things he's sorry for but, for the most part, he handled the recruitment fairly well."

Southern Cal signed the most young lions . . . large lineman Don Mosebar, linebacker Drew Dossett, linebacker or strong safety Joey Browner (big brother went from Notre Dame to the NFL), lineman George Achica, tight end Malcolm Moore, tackle Darryl Moore, center Rob Hedequist . . . the list is long and strong.

To go with the bullet back, Southern Methodist has seven others from the Top 100 freshmen in America . . . runner Craig James, wide receiver Mitch Bennett, lineman Mike Carter, defensive back Stan Godine, quarterback Layne Walker (now there's a couple of famous Southwest names for you, Layne and Walker), runners Charles Waggoner and Mike Charles.

Oklahoma set the recruiting pace in the Big Eight. Stanford was strong, not close

to the leading Trojans, but impressive in the Pac-10.

Michigan, Purdue and Ohio State ran 1-2-3 in the Big 10. Georgia edged Alabama in the Southeastern gathering. Clemson was best in the Atlantic Coast. Notre Dame and Penn State, as usual, led the non-leaguers.

Southern Methodist is the only surprise. This success is not a rub-off from recent peaks. The Mustangs were 4-6-1 last season. The year before, they drew only 6,918 fans for a conference game. Some thought the Methodists were out of business. Some now think they are richly blessed.

These freshmen are . . . and they're the **Top Ten:**

Eric Dickerson, running back, double sprint champ in Texas state track, rare blend of speed and strength, 5,862 yards and 444 points in two and a half seasons (Grandmother bought the car). Southern Methodist signed him.

Don Mosebar, lineman, 6-7, 265, Visalia, Calif., possibly the best big man ever signed by Southern Cal.

John Elway, quarterback, 6-2, 185, Granada Hills, Calif., best prep passer in country, 3,400 yards as junior, 1,837 and 19 TD's in five games last fall before sidelined by a knee ache. Dad is new coach at San Jose but Stanford got the arm.

Drew Dossett, linebacker, 6-4, 235, Shreveport, La., best big one in the litter, 4.6 in 40 dash, surprising lateral movement, just what Southern Cal wanted for its next Rose Bowl team.

Joey Browner, LB-DB, 6-4, 200, Atlanta, loves combat, runs 4.4, looks like a superior Southern Cal strong safety.

Darryl Sheffey, lineman, 6-3, 272, Washington, D.C., super quickness with more dash speed than he needs. Great middle guard prospect, if Oklahoma State so chooses.

Roger Craig, runner, 6-2, 202, Davenport, Iowa, 4.5 in 40, good balance, accomplished hurdler in track. He was
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(National Recruiting continued)

about to be a sleeper until 353 yards and four touchdowns in a state playoff loss attracted a crowd. Nebraska won.

Jimmy Smith, runner, 6-0, 190, Kankakee, Ill., good hands, quick feet, 4.4 in 40, polished receiver, skilled on kick returns, state 220 champ. Purdue got him but NCAA came wondering why the Smith family moved into a better home.

Mike Cade, runner, 6-1, 205, Eloy, Ariz., 2,253 yards as senior, 299 and six touchdowns in final game. Michigan beat the world.

George Achica, lineman, 6-5, 265, San Jose, Calif., all the equipment possible to put on a new model. Welcomed warmly by Southern Cal.

Next best ninety:

11. Vincent White, RB, 5-8, 175, Denver (Stanford).

12. Craig James, RB, 6-1, 210, Houston (SMU).

13. Stanley Wilson, RB, 6-1, 195, Los Angeles (Oklahoma).

14. Wayne Apuna, LB, 6-3, 230, Honolulu (Arizona State).

15. Mike McCloskey, TE, 6-4, 230, Philadelphia (Penn State).

16. Jon English, QB, 6-3, 190, Birmingham, Mich. (Michigan State).

17. Tony Hunter, WR, 6-6, 210, Cincinnati (Notre Dame).

18. Buford McGee, RB, 6-1, 180, Durant, Miss. (Mississippi).

19. Phillip Boren, DL, 6-5, 245, Dallas (Arkansas).

20. Kevin Ward, QB, 6-1, 198, Conestoga, Pa. (Arizona).

21. Tom Jelesky, TE, 6-6, 260, Merrillville, Ind. (Purdue).

22. Mitchell Bennett, WR, 5-11, 180, Bonham, Tex. (SMU).

23. Doug Collins, DT, 6-4, 240, Andalusia, Ala. (Alabama).

24. Weldon Ledbetter, RB, 6-3, 210, Clayton, Mo. (Oklahoma).

25. Michael Carter, DL, 6-2, 235, Dallas (SMU).

26. Malcolm Moore, TE, 6-5, 215, San Fernando, Cal. (USC).

27. Anthony Carter, WR, 5-11, 165, Riveria Beach, Fla. (Michigan).

28. Matt Harlien, OT, 6-4, 265, Corpus Christi, Tex. (Texas Tech).

29. Johnny Hector, RB, 5-11, 180, New Iberia, La. (Texas A&M).

30. Claybon Fields, OL, 6-7, 270, Washington, D.C. (Purdue).

31. Doug Smith, DL, 6-5, 255, Bayboro, N.C. (East Carolina).

32. Glenn Cobb, LB, 6-4, 212, Miami, O. (Ohio State).

33. Ray Brown, DE, 6-4, 230, Rome, Ga. (Clemson).

34. Rob Moore, FB, 6-2, 217, Santa Ana, Cal. (Stanford).

35. Winfred Carraway, LB, 6-3, 235, Detroit (Michigan).

36. Stanley Godine, DB, 6-1, 180, Houston (SMU).

37. Reuben Jones, QB, 6-2, 205, Tulsa (Texas Christian).

38. Curt Warner, RB, 6-1, 180, Pineville, W. Va. (Penn State).

39. Paul Parker, OL, 6-3, 280, Tulsa (Oklahoma).

40. Bob Clasby, DL, 6-5, 265, Boston (Notre Dame).

41. Steve Mott, DL, 6-4, 245, New Orleans (Alabama).

42. Cyrus Lawrence, RB, 5-10, 200, South Hampton, Va. (VPI).

43. Norris Brown, WR, 6-3, 197, Laurens, S.C. (Georgia).

44. Johnell Brown, QB, 6-1, 180, Gainesville, Fla. (Florida).

45. Joe Lukens, OL, 6-4, 230, Cincinnati (Ohio State).

46. Shawn McNamara, OL, 6-6, 250, Long Island, N.Y. (Penn State).

47. Will Forts, LB, 6-1, 205, Fayetteville, Ga. (Georgia).

48. Shelby Gamble, RB, 6-0, 195, South Haven, Mich. (Boston College).

49. Darryl Songy, DB, 6-2, 185, New Orleans (Oklahoma).

50. Melvin Dorsey, RB, 6-0, 180, Atlanta (Georgia).

51. Kevin Lindsey, RB, 5-11, 180, Sandusky, O. (Ohio State).

52. Andrew Provence, OL, 6-4, 245, Savannah, Ga. (South Carolina).

53. Irv Eatman, OL, Dayton, O. (UCLA).

54. Rick Sharp, TE, 6-5, 220, Carmel, Ind. (UCLA).

55. Randy Justes, DL, 6-5, 240, Omaha, Neb. (Missouri).

56. Kinny Hooper, RB, 6-1, 202, Cleveland, Tn. (Mississippi).

57. Phil Carter, RB, 5-11, 190, Tacoma, Wash. (Notre Dame).

58. Tim Spencer, RB, 6-2, 190, St. Clairsville, O. (Ohio State).

59. Tim Case, OL, 6-4, 250, Tifton, Ga. (Georgia).

60. Spencer Jackson, WR, 6-0, 175, Boca Raton, Fla. (Florida).

61. Darryl Moore, OL, 6-5, 240, Venice, Cal. (USC).

62. Eddie Hornback, QB, 6-2, 200, Ocean Springs, Miss. (Notre Dame).

63. Dan Plonk, OL, 6-3, 235, Merritt Island, Fla. (Florida).

64. Rich Hewlett, QB, 6-1, 195, Plymouth, Mich. (Michigan).

65. Roosevelt Wilder, RB, 5-11, 195, Macon, Ga. (Alabama).

66. Clyde Duncan, WR, 6-3, 185, Potomac, Md. (Tennessee).

67. Alan Risher, QB, 6-2, 180, Slidell, La. (LSU).

68. Randy Edwards, DL, 6-4, 245, Marietta, Ga. (Alabama).

69. Rob Hedequist, C, 6-3, 218, Spokane, Wash. (USC).

70. Don Dixon, TE, 6-6, 230, Jacksonville, Fla. (Georgia).

71. James Jones, QB, 6-3, 205, Pompano Beach, Fla. (Florida).

72. Chuck McSwain, RB, 6-3, 188, Forest City, N.C. (Clemson).

73. Barry Young, OL, 6-6, 240, Apple Valley, Minn. (Notre Dame).

74. Dan Marino, QB, 6-2, 185, Pittsburgh (Pitt).

75. Donnie Humphrey, DL, 6-3, 260, Huntsville, Ala. (Auburn).

76. Marty Martinez, WR, 6-1, 180, Drayton Plains, Mich. (Stanford).

77. Todd Blackledge, QB, 6-4, 200, North Canton, O. (Penn State).

78. Jeff Guy, DB, 6-1, 175, Aurora, Colo. (Texas).

79. Mike Edwards, WR, 6-5, 200, Bradenton, Fla. (Auburn).

80. Mike White, DL, 6-5, 240, Philadelphia (Arizona State).

81. Dan Gregus, OL, 6-5, 235, Chicago (Illinois).

82. Layne Walker, QB, 6-2, 190, Clovis, N.M. (SMU).

83. Derald Williams, RB, 6-0, 195, Jacksonville, Fla. (Florida).

84. Mike Buchanan, LB, 6-3, 230, University City, Mo. (Texas).

85. Charles Waggoner, RB, 6-2, 200, Dallas (SMU).

86. Mike Cofer, DE, 6-5, 220, Knoxville, Tn. (Tennessee).

87. Jim Hawn, OL, 6-4, 230, El Dorado, Cal. (Arizona State).

88. Guy Thurston, DL, 6-3, 240, Arvada, Colo. (Colorado).

89. Al Blue, DB, 6-2, 175, Maitland, Fla. (Alabama).

90. Richard Abraham, DE, 6-3, 238, Paducah, Ky. (Kentucky).

91. Woody Grigg, OL, 6-7, 240, Winnfield, La. (Mississippi).

92. Marcus Toney, DB, 6-2, 190, Muskegon, Mich. (Michigan State).

93. Damon McCurdy, LB, 6-3, 220, Washington County, Ga. (Clemson).

94. Todd Spratte, TE, 6-4, 225, Rochester, Minn. (Nebraska).

95. Brian Holland, RB, 5-11, 195, Devon, Pa. (Arizona).

96. Jeff Hostetler, LB, 6-3, 205, Davidsville, Pa. (Penn State).

97. Chuck Ehin, DL, 6-5, 255, Layton, Utah (Brigham Young).

98. Michael Charles, RB, 6-0, 205, Houston (SMU).

99. Billy Ray Smith, DL, 6-4, 215, Dallas (Arkansas).

100. Kyle Money, QB, 6-3, 200, Dallas (Baylor). **END**



Honey Watching

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Clockwise from top: Related only in their love for the Bengal Tigers, LSU press box hostesses Jan Herring (left) and Lynn Herring are sure to make a writer's visit to "Death Valley" a lot nicer. The big smile of Judy Anderson promises to brighten up the California season, while Ole Miss cheerleader Leisha Prather casts a winsome look toward her Rebels. Knoxville's attractive press box hostess Julie Martin is one of the reasons writers look forward to covering Big Orange football. Paula Sumner whoops it up for Kentucky, and Crimsonette Kim Pierce shows why Alabama was national champion last season.
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Colorado Boulder, Colo. (6-5-0) S. 8 Oregon+ S. 15 Louisiana St.+ S. 22 Drake+ S. 29 Indiana O. 6 Oklahoma O. 20 Missouri+ O. 27 Nebraska N. 3 Iowa State N. 10 Oklahoma St.+ N. 17 Kansas N. 24 Kansas St.+	Iowa State Ames, Iowa (8-3-0) S. 15 Bowling Green+ S. 22 Texas+ S. 29 Iowa O. 6 Pacific, Cal.+ O. 13 Kansas St.+ O. 20 Kansas+ O. 27 Oklahoma N. 3 Colorado+ N. 10 Oklahoma St.+ N. 17 Nebraska N. 24 Oklahoma St.+	Kansas Lawrence, Kansas (11-0-0) S. 15 Pittsburgh S. 22 Michigan O. 6 Syracuse+ O. 13 Nebraska O. 20 Iowa State+ O. 27 Oklahoma St.+ N. 3 Kansas St.+ N. 10 Oklahoma N. 17 Missouri+ N. 24 Missouri+	Kansas State Manhattan, Kansas (4-7-0) S. 15 Auburn S. 22 Oregon St.+ S. 29 Air Force O. 6 Tulsa+ O. 13 Iowa State+ O. 20 Oklahoma+ N. 3 Kansas N. 10 Missouri+ N. 17 Oklahoma+ N. 24 Colorado	Missouri Columbia, Mo. (7-4-0) S. 8 San Diego St.+ S. 15 Illinois S. 22 Mississippi* S. 29 Texas+ O. 13 Oklahoma St.+ O. 20 Colorado O. 27 Kansas St.+ N. 3 Nebraska+ N. 10 Nebraska+ N. 17 Iowa State+ N. 24 Kansas @ Jackson, Miss.	Nebraska Lincoln, Neb. (10-1-0) S. 15 Utah State+ S. 22 Iowa S. 29 Penn State+ O. 6 New Mexico St.+ O. 13 Kansas+ O. 20 Oklahoma St.+ O. 27 Iowa State+ N. 3 Missouri N. 10 Kansas+ N. 17 Iowa State+ N. 24 Oklahoma	Oklahoma Norman, Okla. (8-3-0) S. 15 Iowa+ S. 22 Tulsa+ S. 29 Rice O. 6 New Mexico St.+ O. 13 Kansas+ O. 20 Kansas St.+ O. 27 Iowa State+ N. 3 Oklahoma St.+ N. 10 Kansas+ N. 17 Missouri N. 24 Nebraska @ Dallas, Texas	Oklahoma State Stillwater, Okla. (8-3-0) S. 8 North Texas St.+ S. 15 Wichita St.+ S. 22 Arkansas* O. 6 South Carolina* O. 13 Missouri O. 20 Nebraska+ O. 27 Kansas N. 3 Oklahoma+ N. 10 Colorado N. 17 Kansas St.+ N. 24 Iowa State @ Little Rock, Ark.
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Illinois Champaign, Ill. (14-2-2) S. 8 Michigan St. S. 15 Missouri+ S. 22 Air Force S. 29 Navy+ O. 6 Iowa+ O. 13 Purdue O. 20 Michigan+ O. 27 Minnesota+ N. 3 Ohio State+ N. 10 Indiana N. 17 Northwestern	Indiana Bloomington, Ind. (7-0-0) S. 8 Iowa S. 15 Vanderbilt+ S. 22 Kentucky+ S. 29 Iowa State+ O. 6 Wisconsin O. 13 Ohio State O. 20 Northwestern+ O. 27 Michigan N. 3 Minnesota+ N. 10 Illinois N. 17 Purdue+	Iowa Iowa City, Iowa (12-9-0) S. 8 Indiana+ S. 15 Oklahoma S. 22 Nebraska+ S. 29 Iowa State+ O. 6 Illinois O. 13 Northwestern O. 20 Minnesota+ O. 27 Wisconsin N. 3 Purdue+ N. 10 Ohio State N. 17 Michigan St.+	Michigan Ann Arbor, Mich. (10-1-0) S. 8 Northwestern+ S. 15 Notre Dame+ S. 22 Kansas+ S. 29 California O. 6 Michigan St. O. 13 Minnesota+ O. 20 Illinois O. 27 Indiana+ N. 3 Wisconsin+ N. 10 Purdue N. 17 Ohio State+	Michigan State East Lansing, Mich. (8-3-0) S. 8 Illinois+ S. 15 Ohio State+ S. 22 Miami, O.+ S. 29 Notre Dame O. 6 Maryland O. 13 Wisconsin O. 20 Purdue+ O. 27 Ohio State N. 3 Northwestern N. 10 Minnesota+ N. 17 Iowa	Minnesota Minneapolis, Minn. (5-6-0) S. 8 Ohio+ S. 15 Ohio State+ S. 22 Southern Cal.+ S. 29 Notre Dame O. 6 Boston Col.+ O. 13 Michigan O. 20 Iowa O. 27 Illinois+ N. 3 Indiana N. 10 Michigan St. N. 17 Wisconsin+	Northwestern Evanston, Ill. (10-1-0) S. 8 Michigan S. 15 Wyoming+ S. 22 Syracuse+ S. 29 Minnesota O. 6 Ohio State O. 13 Iowa+ O. 20 Indiana O. 27 Purdue N. 3 Michigan St.+ N. 10 Wisconsin N. 17 Illinois+	Ohio State Columbus, Ohio (7-3-1) S. 8 Syracuse+ S. 15 Minnesota S. 22 Washington St.+ S. 29 UCLA+ O. 6 Northwestern+ O. 13 Indiana+ O. 20 Wisconsin+ O. 27 Michigan St.+ N. 3 Illinois N. 10 Iowa+ N. 17 Michigan	Purdue West Lafayette, Ind. (8-2-1) S. 8 Wisconsin+ S. 15 UCLA+ S. 22 Notre Dame+ S. 29 Oregon+ O. 6 Indiana+ O. 13 Illinois+ O. 20 Penn State O. 27 Northwestern+ N. 3 Iowa N. 10 Michigan+ N. 17 Minnesota	Wisconsin Madison, Wis. (5-4-2) S. 8 Purdue S. 15 Air Force+ S. 22 UCLA+ S. 29 San Diego St.+ O. 6 Minnesota O. 13 Michigan St.+ O. 20 Ohio State+ O. 27 Iowa+ N. 3 Michigan N. 10 Northwestern+ N. 17 Minnesota
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Brigham Young Provo, Utah (9-3-0) S. 8 Texas A&M+ S. 15 Weber St.+ S. 29 Texas El Paso+ O. 6 Hawaii+ O. 13 Utah State O. 20 Wyoming O. 27 New Mexico+ N. 3 Colorado St.+ N. 10 Long Beach St.+ N. 17 Utah N. 24 San Diego St.+ @ Houston, Tex.	Colorado State Fort Collins, Colo. (5-6-0) S. 8 Arizona+ S. 15 Arkansas+ S. 22 Utah State S. 29 New Mexico O. 6 Utah+ O. 13 Texas El Paso+ O. 20 San Diego St.+ O. 27 Brigham Young N. 3 Brigham Young N. 10 New Mexico N. 16 Nevada-Las Vegas+ N. 24 Hawaii+ @ Little Rock, Ark.	New Mexico Albuquerque, N.M. (7-5-0) S. 1 Louisiana St.+ S. 8 Oregon St.+ S. 15 Texas Tech+ S. 29 New Mexico St.+ O. 6 San Diego St.+ O. 13 Nevada-Las Vegas+ O. 20 Texas El Paso+ O. 27 Brigham Young N. 3 Utah N. 10 Colorado St.+ N. 24 Wyoming+	San Diego State San Diego, Calif. (4-7-0) S. 8 Missouri S. 22 Fresno St.+ S. 29 Wisconsin+ O. 6 New Mexico O. 13 Miami, Fla.+ O. 20 Colorado O. 27 New Mexico N. 3 Wyoming+ N. 10 Arizona+ N. 17 Texas El Paso+ N. 24 Brigham Young+	UTEP El Paso, Texas (11-11-0) S. 1 North Texas St.+ S. 8 Pacific, Cal.+ S. 15 New Mexico St.+ S. 22 Nevada-Las Vegas+ S. 29 Brigham Young O. 6 Wyoming O. 13 Colorado St.+ O. 20 New Mexico O. 27 Hawaii+ N. 3 San Diego St.+ N. 10 San Diego St.+ N. 17 San Diego St.+	Utah Salt Lake City, Utah (8-3-0) S. 1 Long Beach St.+ S. 8 Hawaii+ S. 15 Washington S. 22 Tennessee+ S. 29 Utah State+ O. 6 Colorado St.+ O. 13 Texas Tech+ O. 20 Nevada-Las Vegas+ O. 27 San Diego St.+ N. 3 Utah N. 10 Texas El Paso+ N. 17 Brigham Young	Wyoming Laramie, Wyo. (5-7-0) S. 8 Washington S. 15 Northwestern S. 22 Richmond+ S. 29 Colorado St.+ O. 6 Texas El Paso+ O. 13 Utah O. 20 Brigham Young+ O. 27 Nevada-Las Vegas+ N. 3 San Diego St.+ N. 10 Arkansas St.+ N. 17 Hawaii+ N. 24 New Mexico
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INDEPENDENTS AND OTHER CONFERENCES

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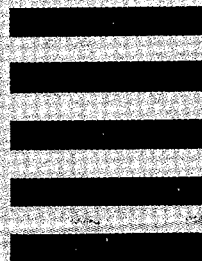
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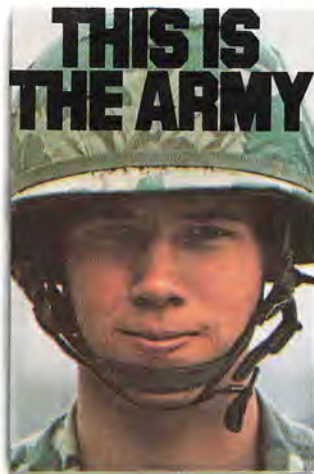
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